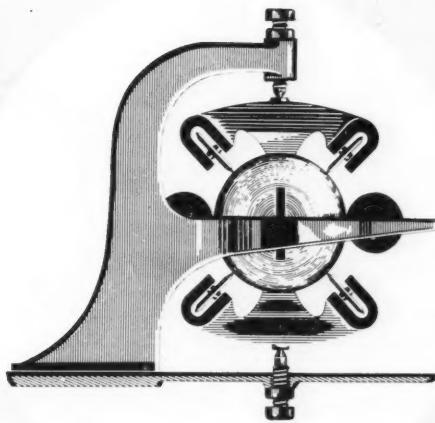


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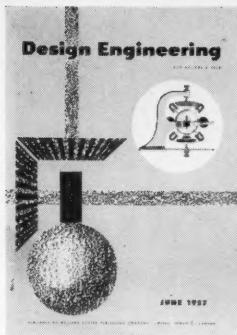
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This month's cover

Guaranteed to jump off the desk of any color conscious design engineer and strike him in the eye, the June cover is the work of artist Gerald Bern. Theme of his artwork is Eggleton and Taggart's article on the canny ball resolver. Bern has reduced the device to a few bold shapes and added a woodcut-type drawing of an oldtimer ball resolver to the top right half of the design.

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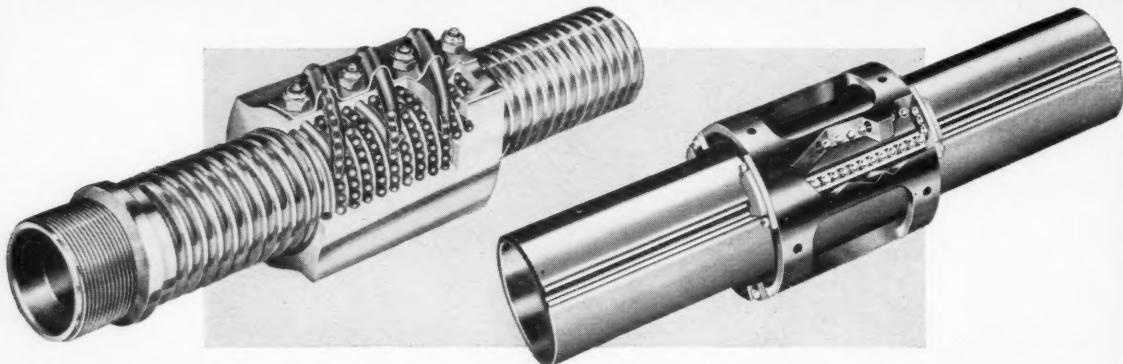
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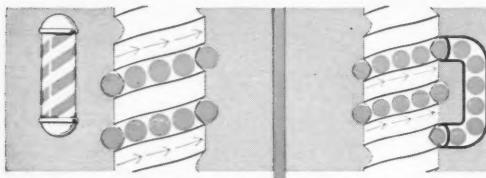
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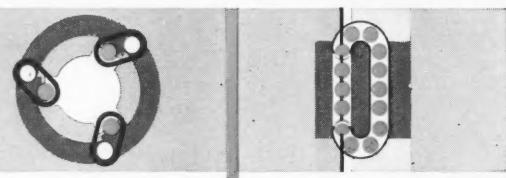
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EGGLETON

F. W. Taggart and L. S. Eggleton (Old idea sparks a tiny new calculator) are both with Aviation Electric Ltd. as chief engineer and technical writer respectively. Taggart was a lab technician at Oxford University from '31 to '38, then joined the RAF. He visited Canada in 1940 as an instrument instructor and returned here in 1954 to join Aviation Electric. His spare time is spent in badminton, amateur dramatics, golf and as a shutter-bug. Eggleton is also an ex-RAF man because the war broke off his accountancy

course. His training led him into electronics in the RAF and he later joined Shell Oil in South America. Since arrival in Canada he has worked with TCA and CGE (at CGE in the writing field). He is in charge of technical publications.



TAGGART

G. R. Ball, B.A.Sc., P.Eng., (Silicone rubber can do more than ever) got his degree in mechanical engineering at the University of Toronto in 1946. Joining the Union Carbide organization he worked on the development and application of silicones. Mr. Ball is a member of the APEO, the Chemical Institute of Canada and of the Niagara District Electric Club. He is one of Canada's leading amateurs with a golf club.

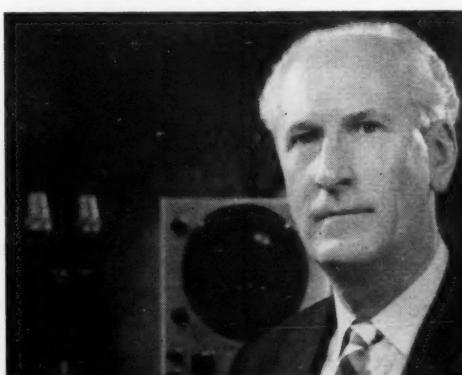


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KARIAN

George Karian (Could powder metallurgy benefit you?) was born in Binghamton, New York, and graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1949 with a B.S. in mechanical engineering. He then joined the F. J. Stokes Corporation and has been with the company ever since. Karian served 3½ years as a navigator in the 8th Air Force. His hobbies are bowling and golf and he lives in Palmyra.



STEWART

Scottish born R. C. Stewart (Blueprint for designing a thread tap) arrived in North Carolina at the age of two and in Canada when he was four. Educated in Ontario and B. C., he has more than 35 years experience in the manufacture of metal cutting tools and toolsteel metallurgy. He is chief metallurgist for the Vanadium Alloy Steel Co. at their London, Ontario, plant.

In our next issue

Our July issue will be a very special one — Design Engineering's Component Application Guide. Result of Canadian design engineers' request for a handbook of this type, it will carry individual sections of the latest information on all new components and materials and how you can get the best out of them.

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Reports

News in brief from the world's producers

New company

Canadian Steel Foundries (1956) Limited of Montreal and English Steel Corporation Limited of Sheffield, England, announce that they have formed a new company, **Canadian Steel Wheel Limited**, to manufacture wrought steel railway wheels in Montreal. This is the first time rolled steel railway wheels have been manufactured in Canada. The new plant will have a capacity of 200,000 wheels per year. Canadian Steel Foundries is a member of the A. V. Roe Canada Group, a subsidiary of the Hawker Siddeley Group of England and was formed to take over the steel foundry division of Canadian Car Co. Ltd., which is one of the largest suppliers of cast iron wheels to Canadian railways.

Locomotive milestone

The locomotive that rolled off the assembly line at **General Motors Diesel Ltd.**, in London, Ont., on Friday, April 5 was greeted with more than usual interest.

The streamlined passenger units for the CNR marked an impressive milestone for the big locomotive plant. It was the 1,000th unit built since the company began operations in 1950.

Award of merit

At each triennial reunion, the **Engineering Alumni Association** of the University of Toronto presents two medals to two outstanding graduates in engineering. The purpose of the award is to recognize the accomplishments of engineers (graduates in applied science of the University of Toronto) who, in an unobtrusive way, have contributed greatly to engineering knowledge or have been successful in developing methods or machinery for the advancement of Canadian industry.

The Engineering Alumni Association has appointed a committee which is seeking the co-operation of all graduates to find men worthy of the award. Nominations with complete pertinent information should be sent to J. Dudley Barnes, secretary, Engineering Alumni Medal Committee, c/o Canadian Standard Association, Box 506, Weston, Toronto 15. Nominations must be received before July 1.

New Montreal office

The **Wallace Barnes Company Limited**, Hamilton, Canadian subsidiary of Associated Spring Corporation, Bristol, Connecticut, has opened a new sales office in

Montreal to give better service to the growing number of industrial plants in the Maritimes and the Province of Quebec.

The Wallace Barnes Company was established in 1921 by the Wallace Barnes Company of Bristol, Connecticut, which was merged with two other pioneer American Spring manufacturers in 1923 to form Associated Spring Corporation.

Climatic suite

The air conditioning and refrigeration division of **John Inglis Company** has been awarded a contract by Defence Construction (1951) Limited to design and construct a climatic suite for the Defense Research Medical Laboratory at Downsview, Ontario. The suite will enable the laboratory to study, under closely controlled circumstances, the effects on the human system of a very wide range of climatic conditions and is expected to provide an outstanding addition to Canadian research facilities.

The suite, to be built within the present concrete construction, will contain three separate heavily insulated climate rooms — a dry cold room, a wet cold room and a tropical room.

Language barrier

In the opinion of Ernest Zucker, application engineer with **Canadian Westinghouse Company Limited**, a great amount of useful technical information could be obtained from many foreign publications arriving in Canada were it not for the barrier of language. "Most people," says

Mr. Zucker, "do not realize that it is within the reach of every engineer to obtain the gist of the information given without the aid of an experienced translator. Many technical terms are used internationally. Such words as telephone, telegraph, compressor and thousands of others can be found as part of practically every modern language."

In a fascinating article titled "Breaking the Language Barrier" Mr. Zucker explains the method behind his idea to make the engineer technically multilingual, offers suggestions for study and practice and gives some examples for his readers to try. (200)

Canadair venture

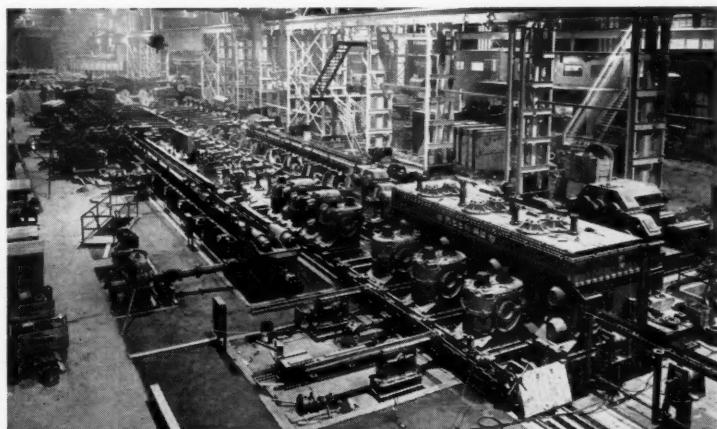
Canadair Limited, whose facilities have been fully occupied by military production for the past five years, has re-entered the international commercial aviation field by virtue of an agreement with the Bristol Aeroplane Company of England.

By this agreement, the Montreal Aircraft Company has acquired extensive rights in specific areas for the production and sale of a Canadair derivative of the Bristol Britannia. It will be known as the CL-44 and will have airliner, freighter and military transport configurations all powered by the new Bristol Orion engine.

Seamless tubing mill

The world's first completely automatic plant manufacturing seamless steel tubing will mark a new era in the industry when the **Mannesmann Tube Co. Ltd.**, inaugurates their plant in June at Sault Ste. Marie.

The highly mechanized mill, which is housed in a windowless steel building over a quarter mile long and 200 ft. wide, was built at a cost of approximately \$20 million. The plant will be a truly "pushbutton" operation from steel rounds to the completed tubes. Despite extensive automation, an estimated 500 workers will be required to operate



View toward the furnace of Mannesmann's plant. (See "Seamless tubing mill")



Dr. Gerhard Wagner, president Mannesmann Tube Co. and Maj. Gen. Kenneth Buchanan, US (Ret.) inspect heavy equipment at Mannesmann's new tube plant.

the mill when it is in production. Aside from a few key men from Germany, all employees will be hired and trained locally. The labor force of 500 men is geared to produce approximately 225,000 tons of finished seamless steel tubes annually, which works out to about 450 tons per man year.

Digital computer

By the addition of a Bendix G-15D digital computer to the data processing centre of **Computer Devices of Canada** this Ottawa company claims the most complete and diversified computing and data processing facilities in Canada.

In a typical example using a G-15D computer, 17 hours were used to solve a problem that would have taken 2,916 hours by manual method. The problem

involved computation of the specific nozzle area, output, and fuel consumption of a gas turbine, based on turbine design data and free stream conditions.

Giant generators

Five hydro electric generators of world record capacity will be built for the Aluminum Company of Canada by **Canadian General Electric** plant in Peterborough, Ontario.

Each of the generators is rated at 165,000 kva. This will make them the largest known units in terms of power output.

The five generators are for installation on the Peribonka River in northern Quebec where Alcan is building a million-horsepower hydro development to serve the company's huge plant at Arvida.

Trends

Watchdogs

The difficult job of studying the cycles and efficiency of automatic machinery is being solved by the introduction of automatic machine efficiency "watchdogs." These take the form of cycle recording and cycle control devices which supersede the now inadequate "eyeball" and "stopwatch" methods of timing automated machinery. One such device (The Sheffield Corporation's Monitorecord Instrument) is now being widely applied to time and control automatic machinery performance beyond the capabilities of human observation.

Plastic tooling

The most extensive and complete bibliography yet compiled on the subject of plastic tooling has been made available by the American Society of Tool Engineers research fund, it was announced recently. It was compiled by Orville D. Lascoe (Professor of Industrial Engineering at Purdue University) as part of the plastic tooling research project currently being conducted under the auspices of the ASTE research fund.

One piece sleeve

A tubular compression joint suitable for communication and distribution line work has been developed by the Aluminum Co. of Canada Ltd. It is called the Unijoint, since it consists of a single sleeve only. Compared with former joining methods, the Unijoint is lower in first cost and since installation is greatly simplified, line erection costs are also considerably reduced.

ASTE papers

Presented at the 25th Anniversary meeting in Houston, Texas: Fundamentals and application of thread and form rolling (Clifford T. Appleton); Power roll forming (J. W. Bergman); Oxide cutting tools (Robert F. Rea); Ceramic tool geometry and preparation (H. D. Moore and D. R. Kibbey); The history of plastic tooling (Appy Juras).

Transistors

Three high frequency transistors that are expected to extend the applications for transistors into equipment now limited to vacuum tubes are announced by C.G.E. Included among some of the possible applications are tv sets, radar and two-way radio transmitters and receivers.

The three transistors are germanium tetrodes; that is, they have four leads for connecting to an electronic circuit.

Next month in Design Engineering

JULY

A questionnaire sent to our readers recently asked: "Would you find an annual handbook of value to you?" Almost 100% said they would and specifically asked that it contain news on product design applied to components and materials and information on new products.

Design Engineering has made plans to meet this demand in July with its **Component Application Guide**—a compact report on new products and their design application techniques.

The Guide will be separated into divisions such as fasteners, testing equipment, machine tools and so forth. An easy-to-operate indexing system will make the Guide an invaluable reference source for the design engineer with a component application problem.

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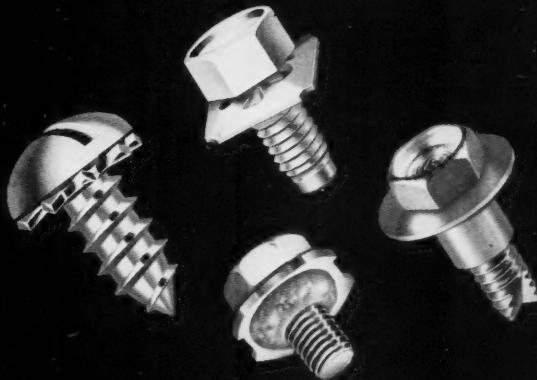
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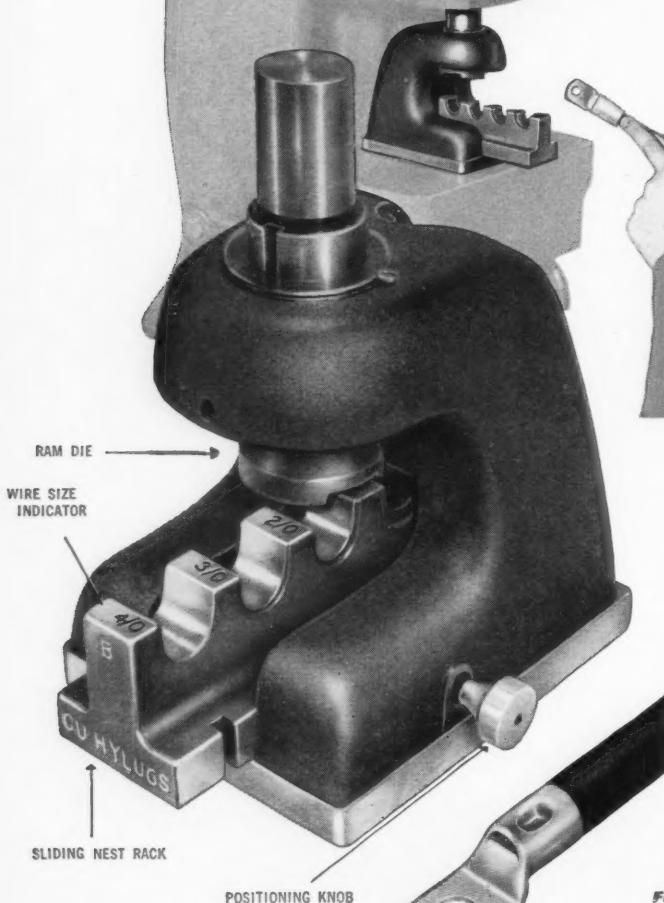
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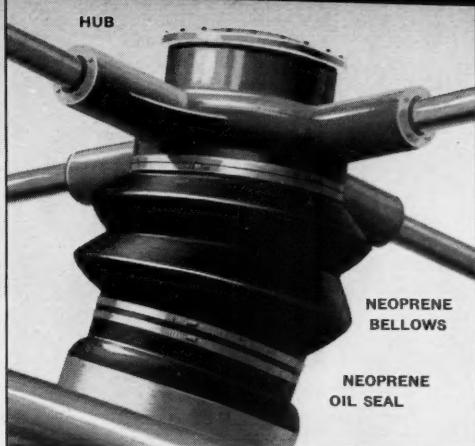
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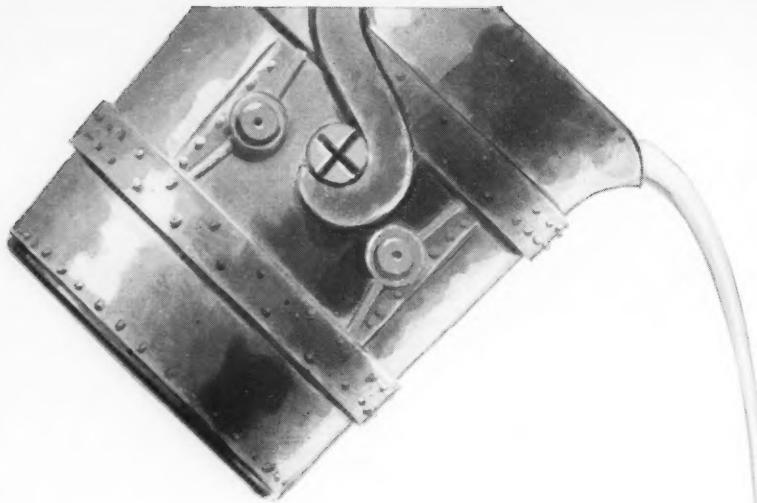
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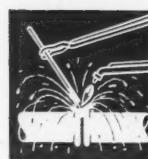


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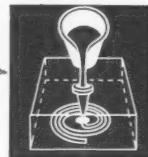
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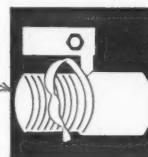
Castability:

Good flowing quality of Ductile Ni-Resist permits the casting of intricate designs, which are difficult to produce in some other cast corrosion-resistant metals.



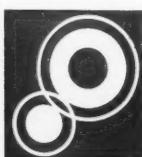
Heat Resistance:

A high order of heat resistance is available with Ductile Ni-Resist up to 1300 deg. F. Certain types are recommended for service up to 1500 deg. F. Ductile Ni-Resist irons not only reduce the rate of oxidation, but also the oxidation products adhere tenaciously to the base metal.



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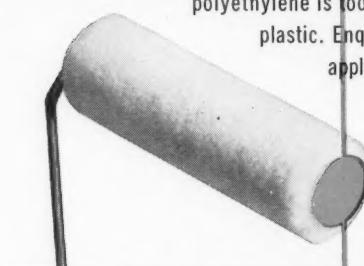
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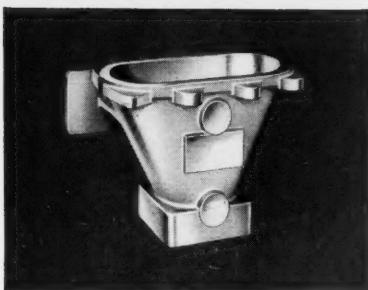
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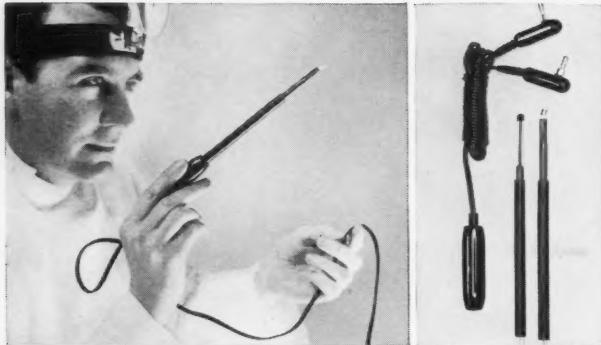
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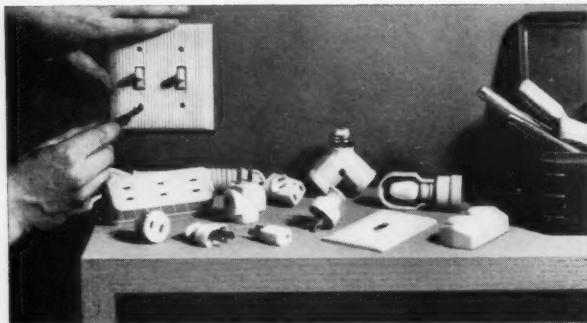
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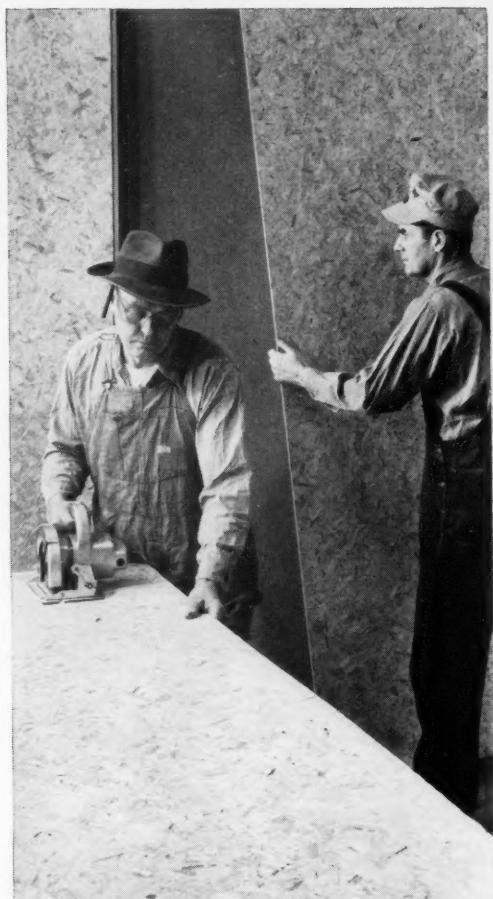
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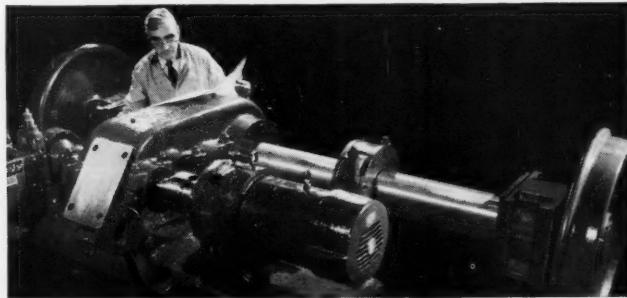
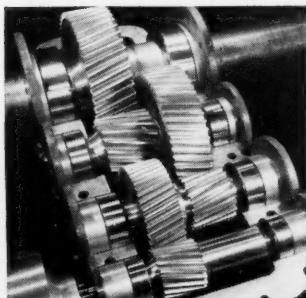
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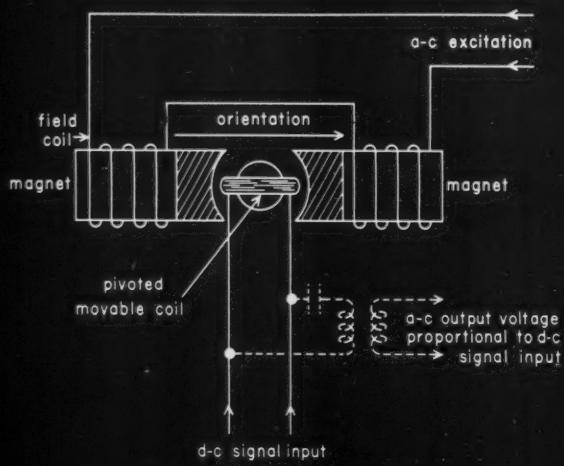
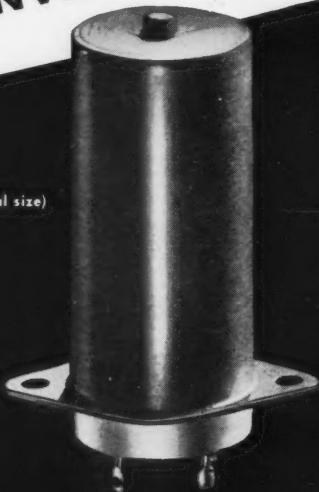
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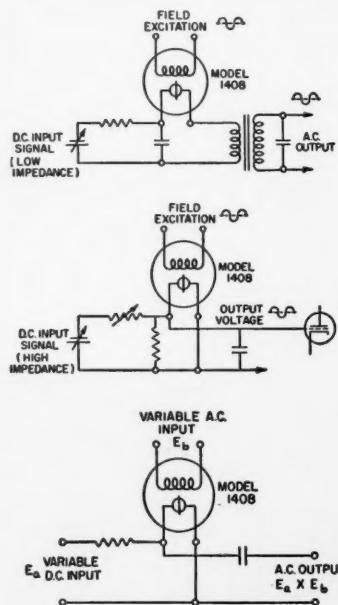
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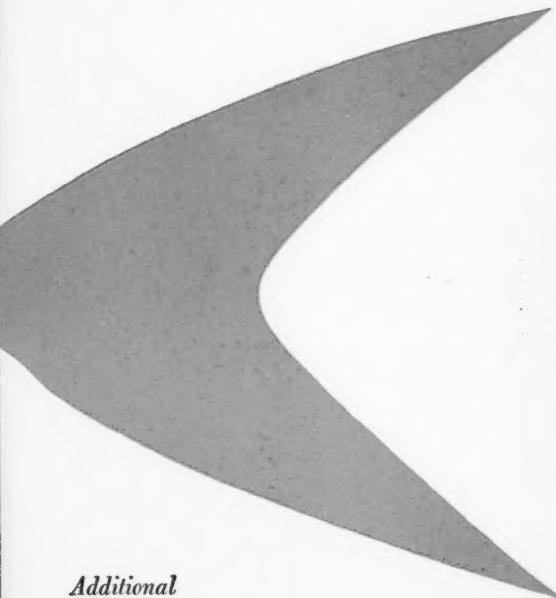
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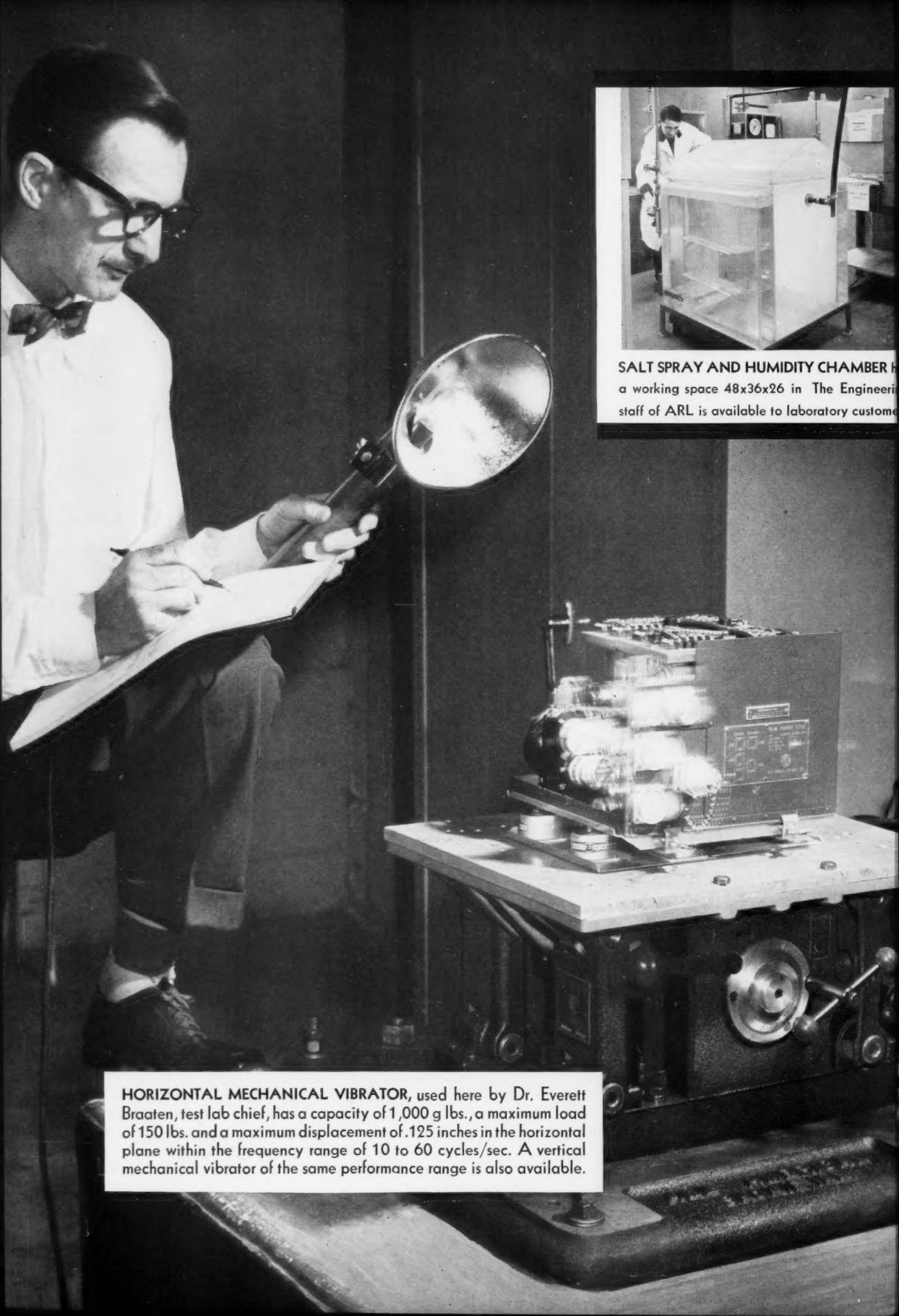
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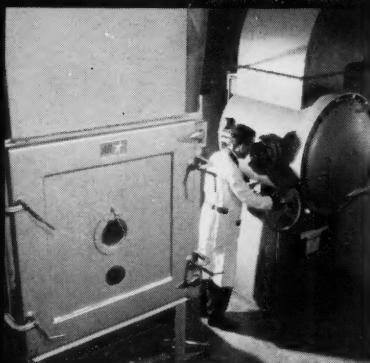
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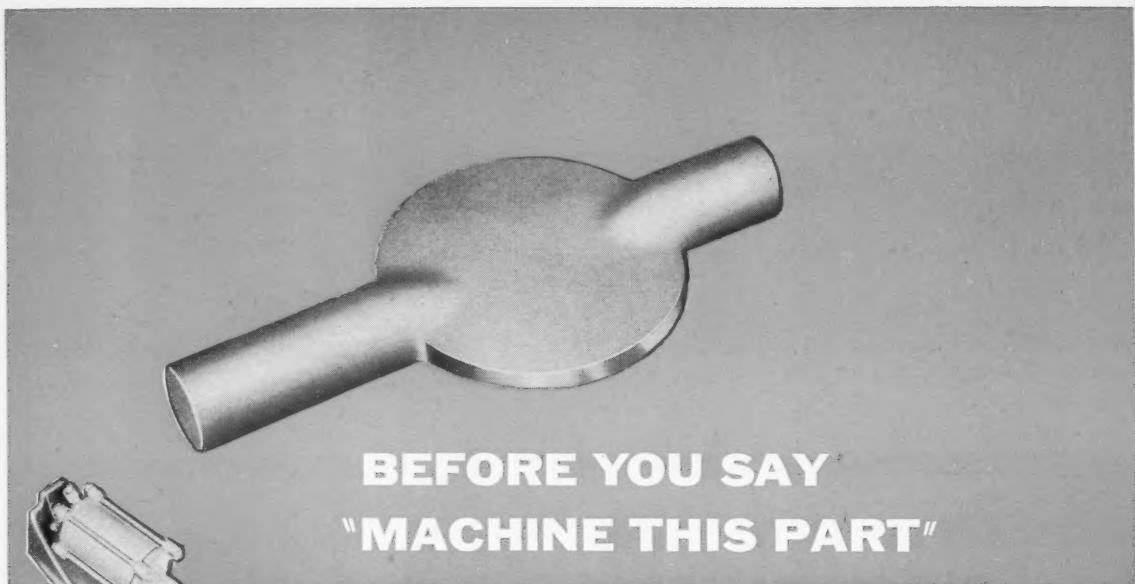
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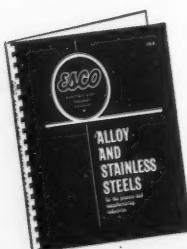
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It's often the seemingly simple parts that cause the production "headaches". In this case the "butterfly"—the simple disk and shaft assembly in an exhaust gas actuated power brake. These small parts presented complicated machining and fabricating operations. The elliptical shape of the disk, the compound bevel of the disk edges, the slotting of short length of shafting, welding the shafting in perfect center and alignment on the disk and finally the turning of the shaft ends or bearings. All this fabrication had to be done in a heat-resistant steel to eliminate warpage of the disk, because the blow-by of exhaust gases would result in decreased operational efficiency of the power brake unit.

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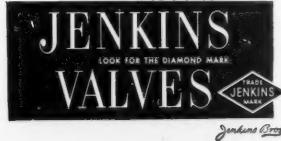


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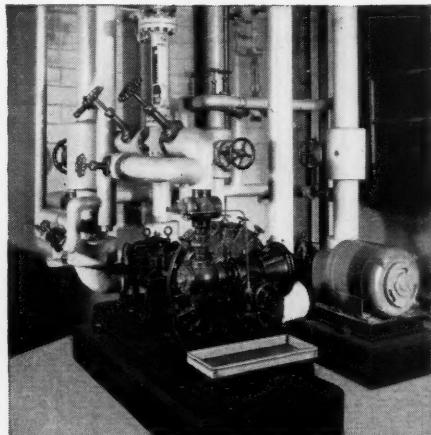
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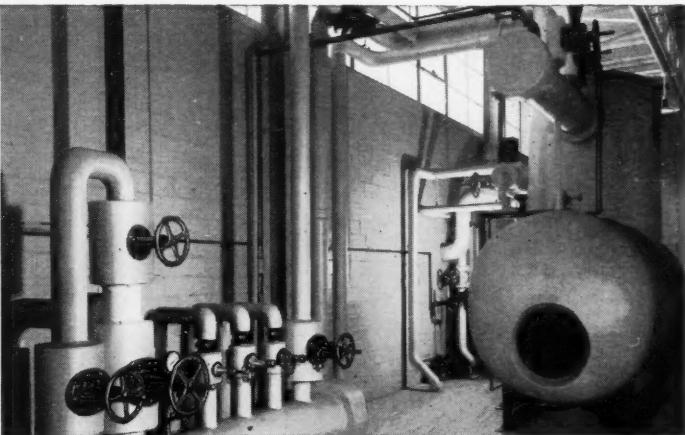
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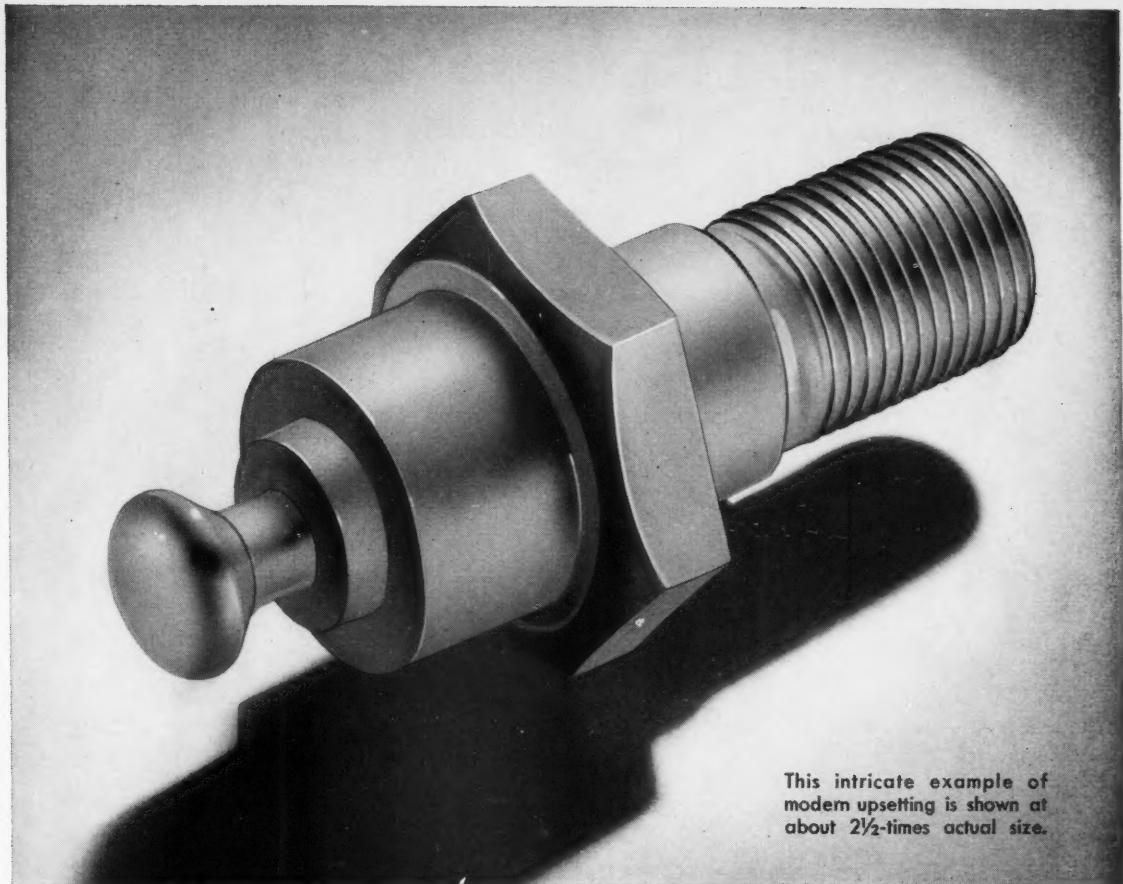
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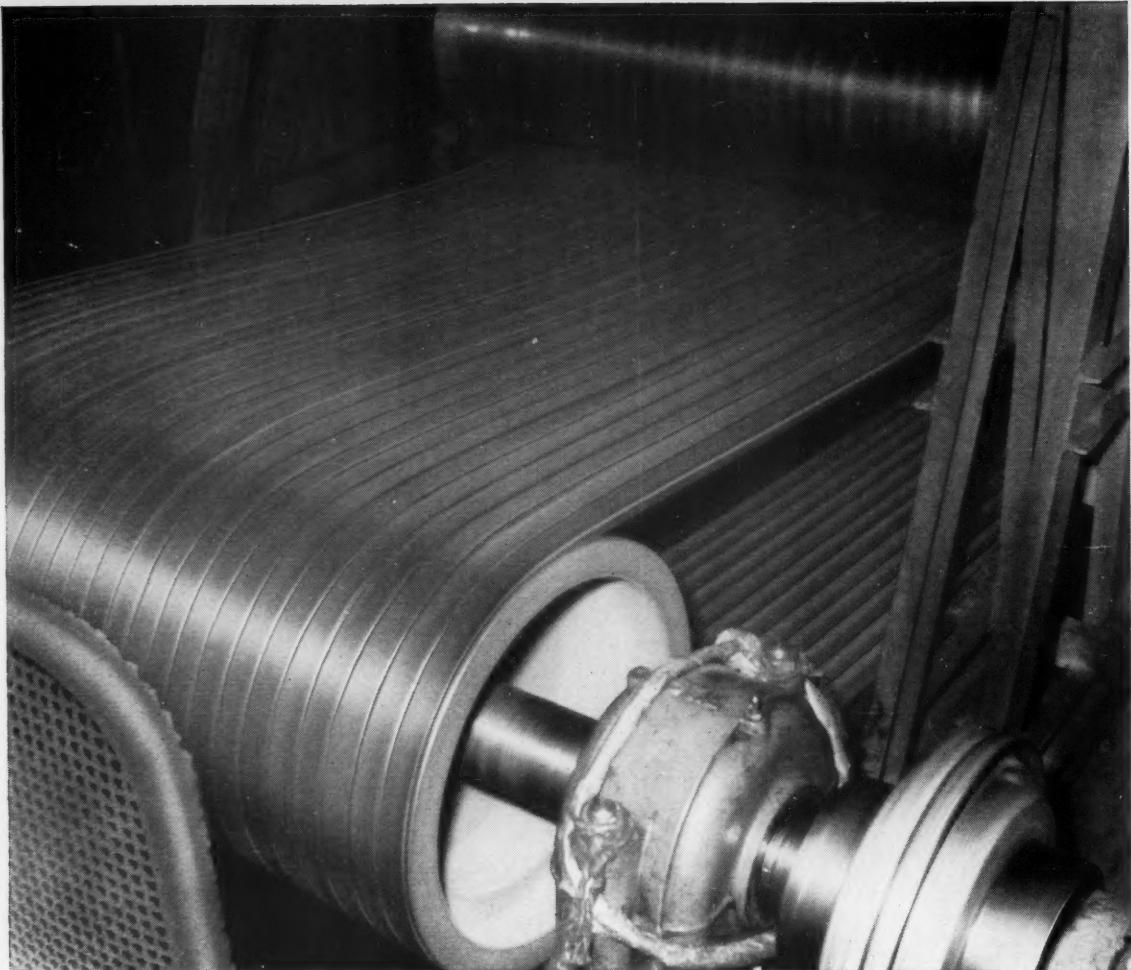
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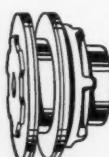


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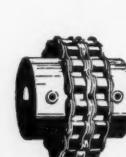
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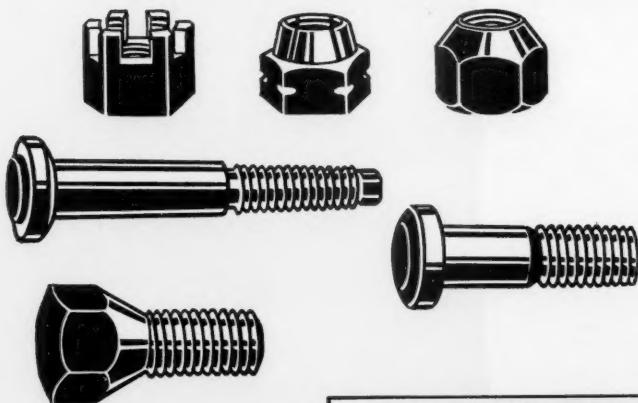
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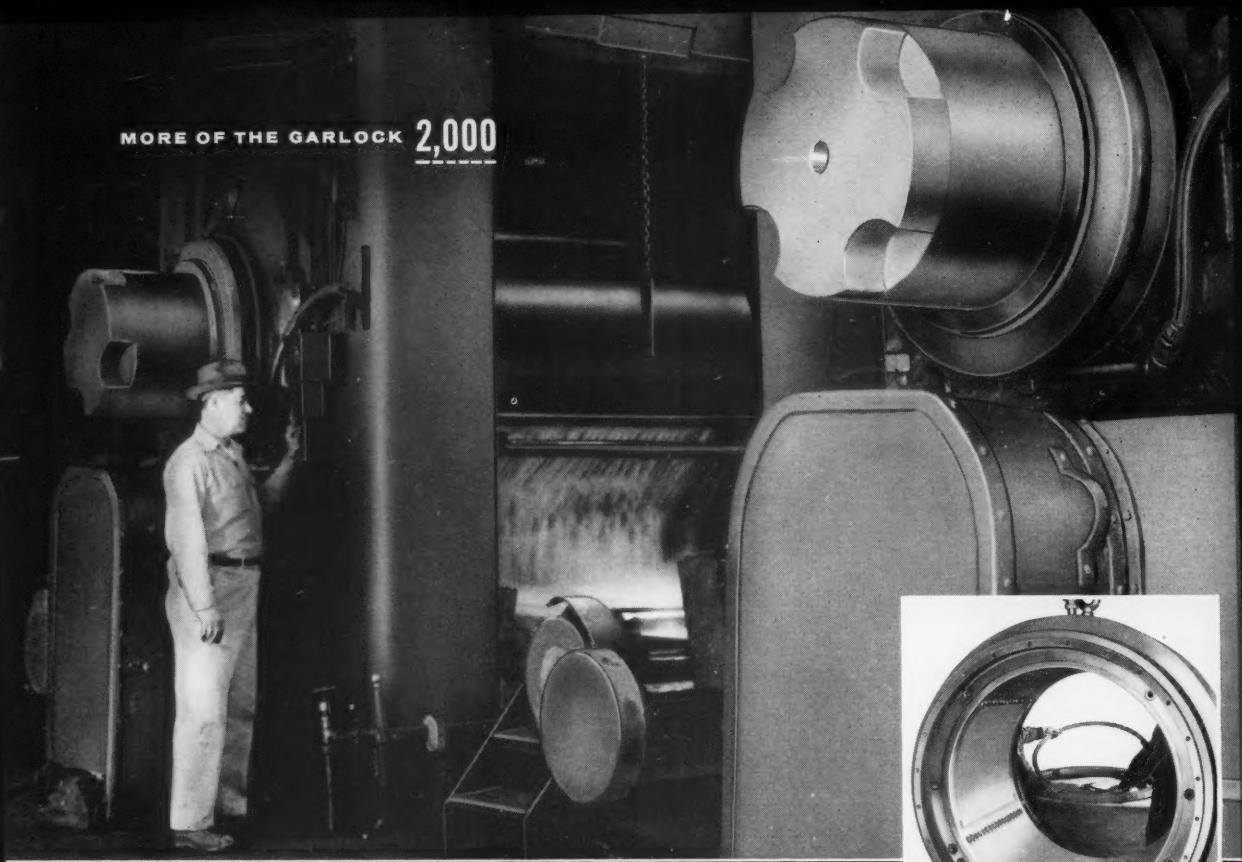
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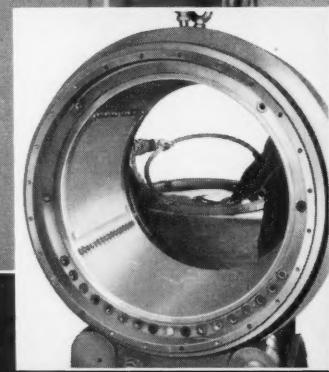
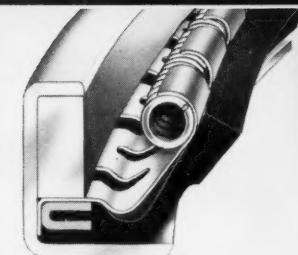


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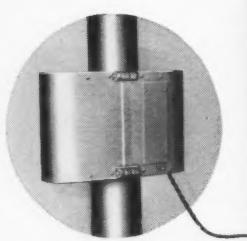
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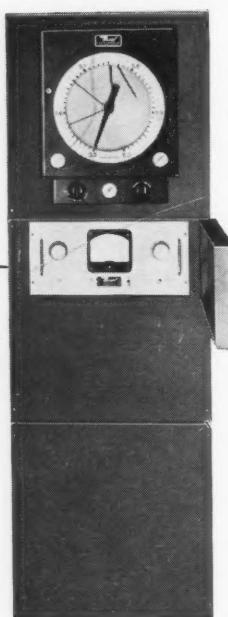
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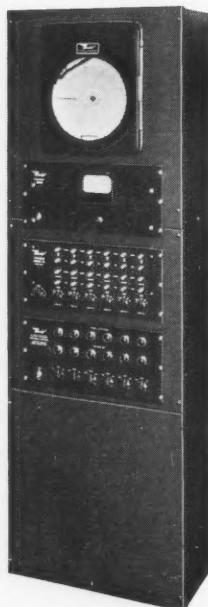
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APPLICATIONS

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- Per Cent Solids
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- Liquid Level
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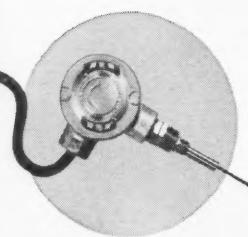


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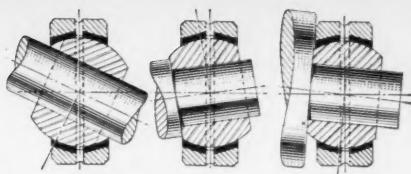
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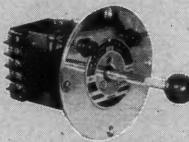
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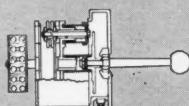
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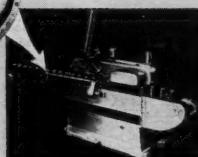
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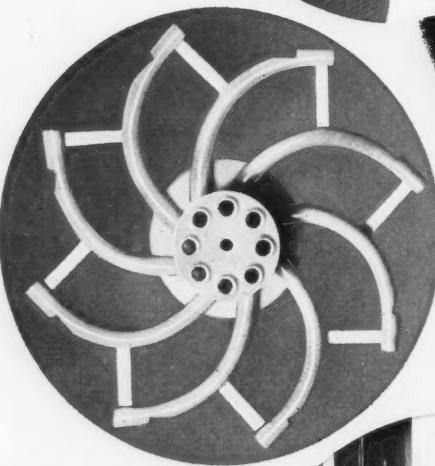
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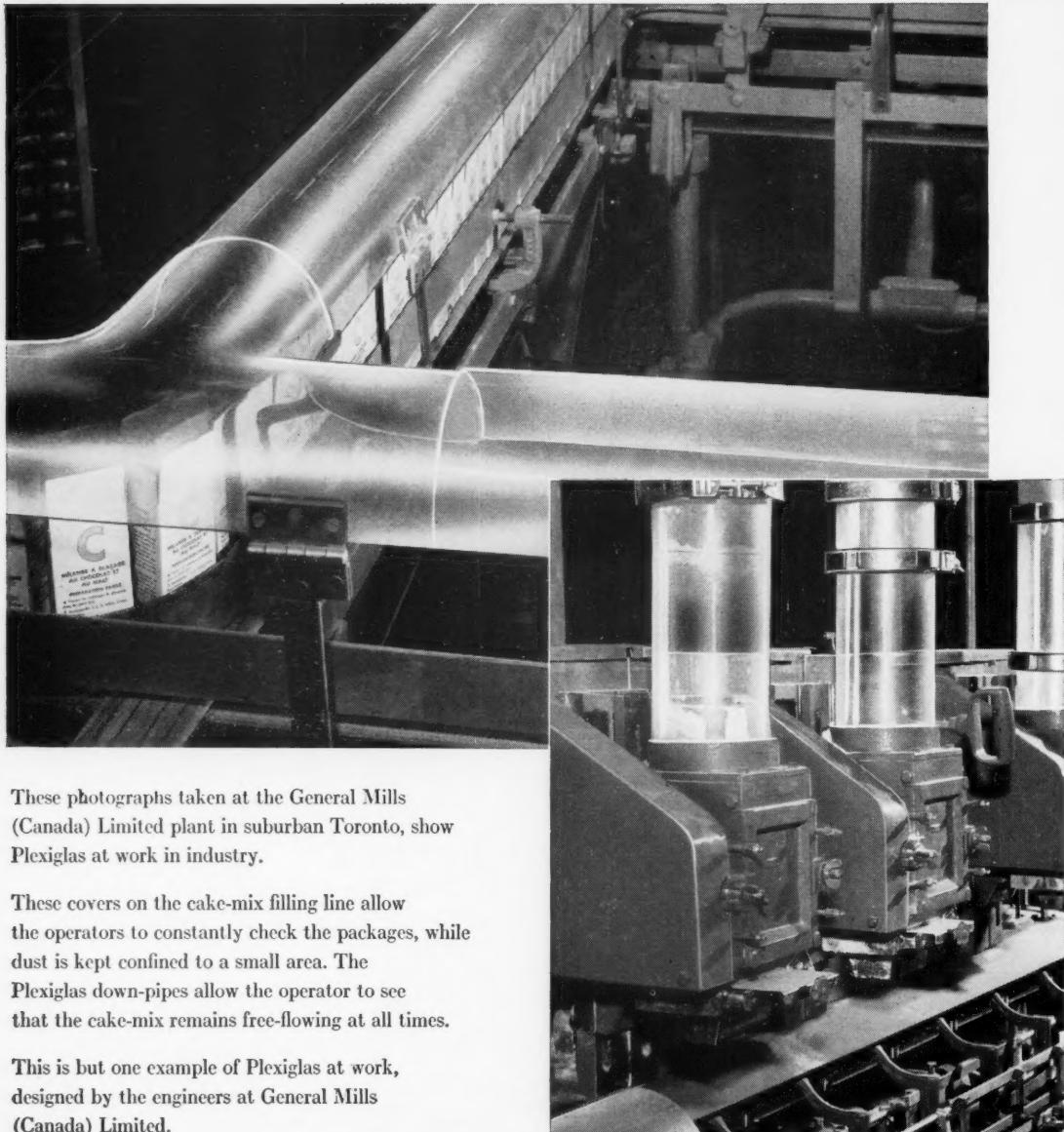
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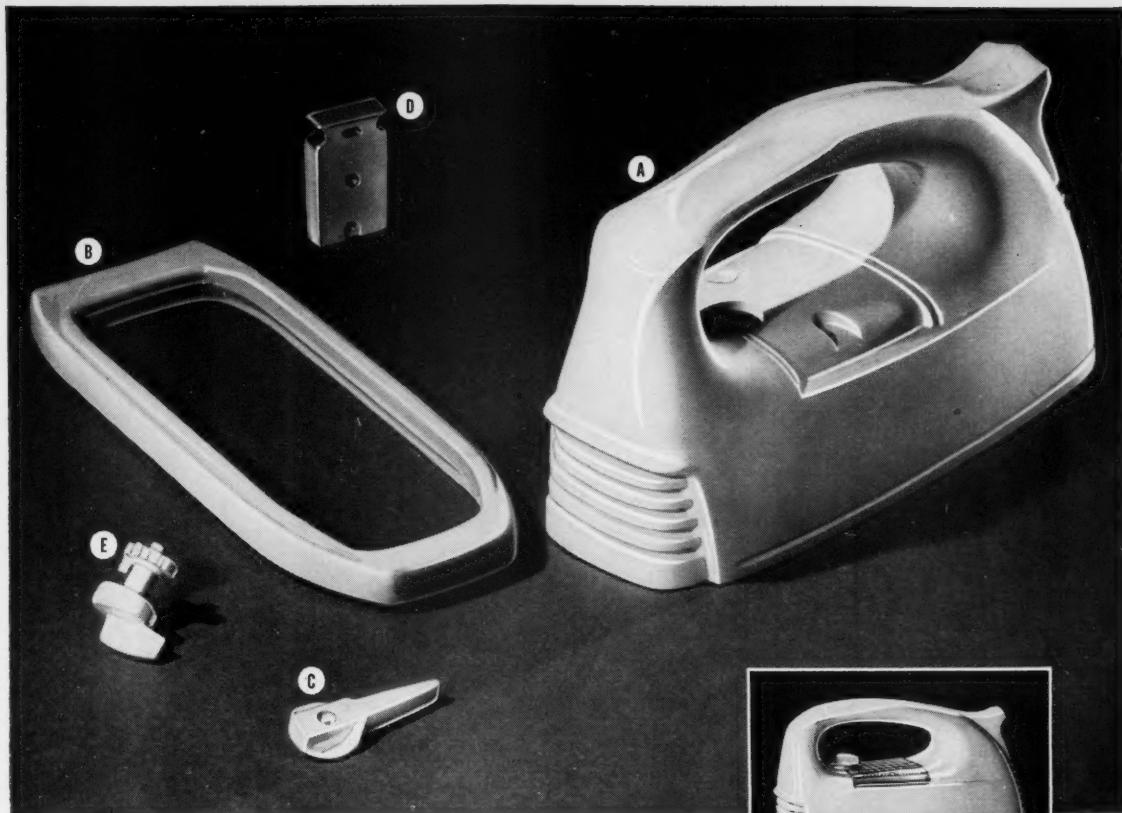
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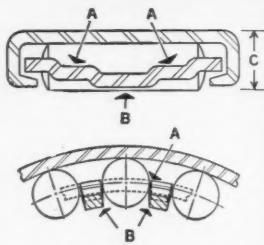
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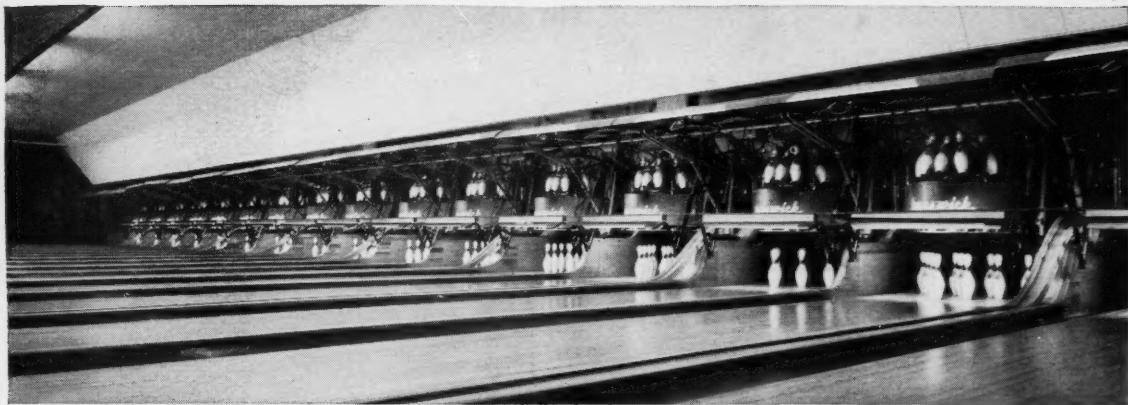
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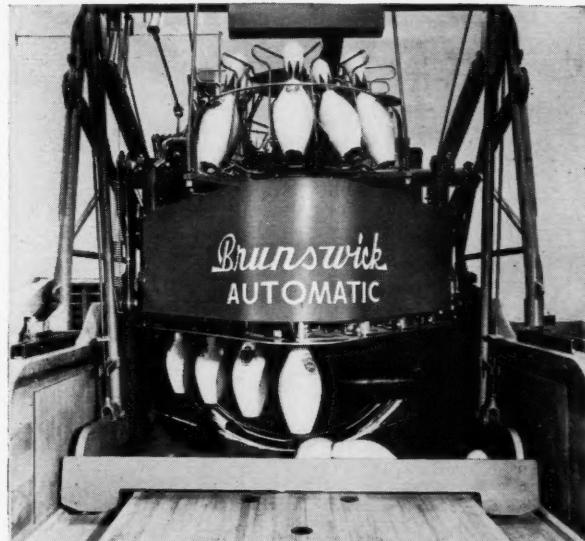
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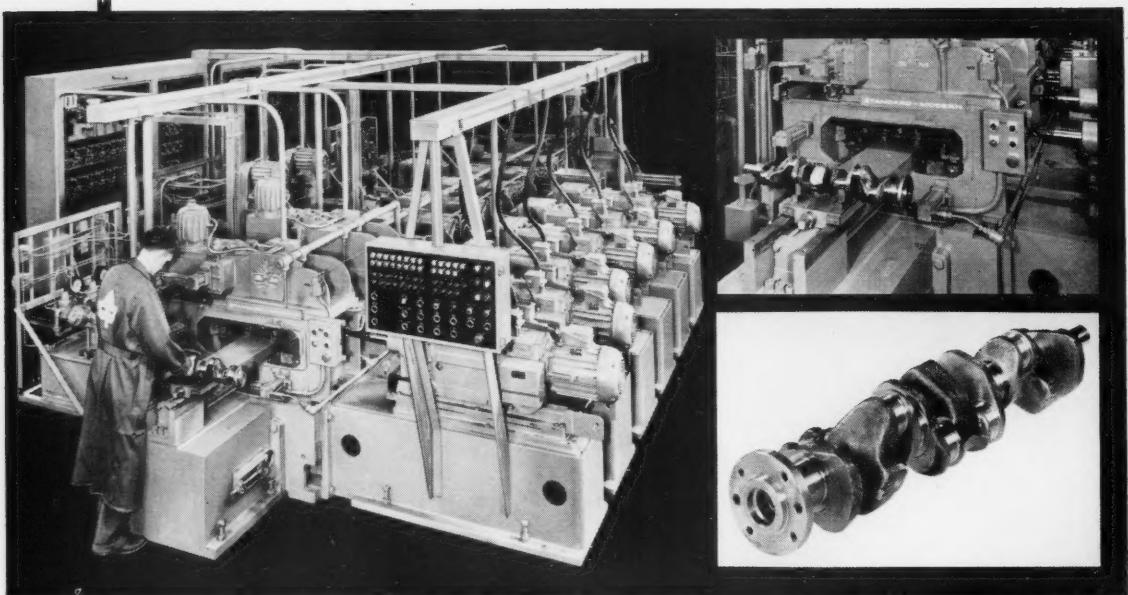


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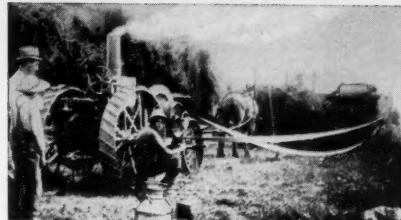
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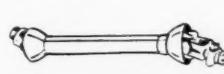
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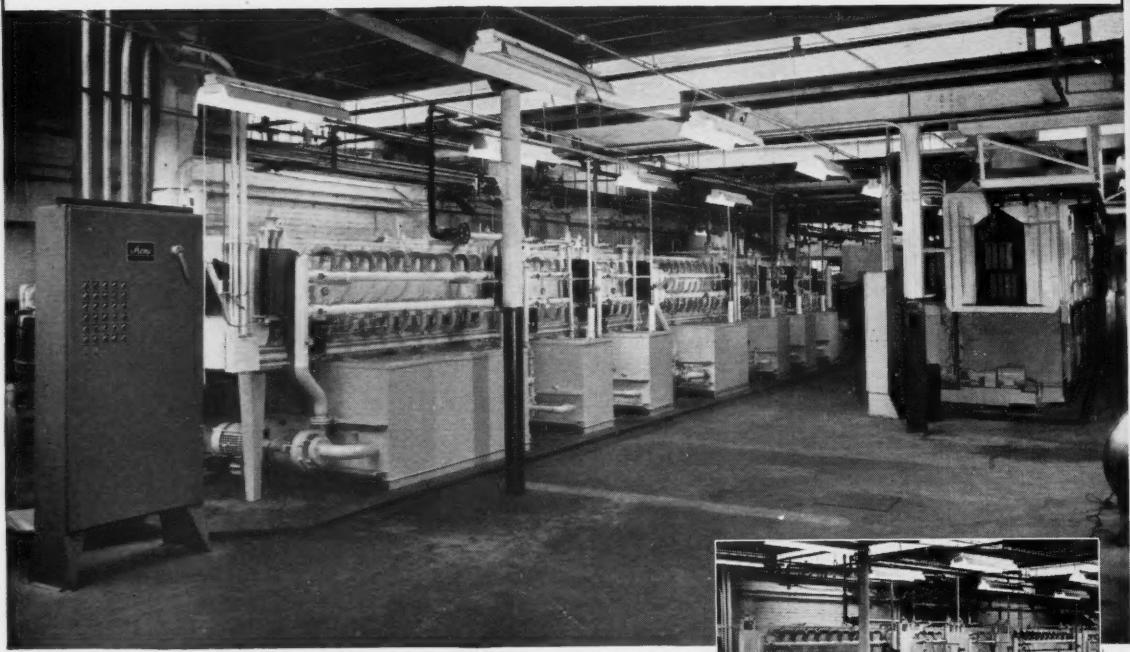


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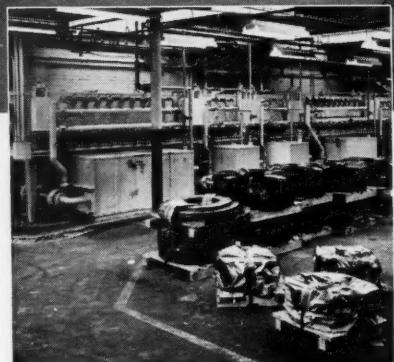
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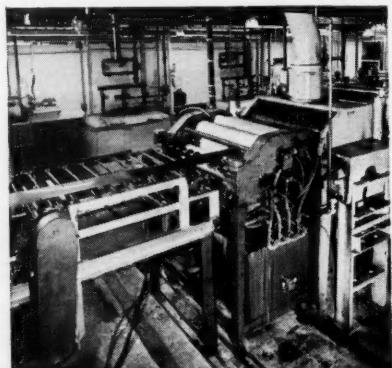
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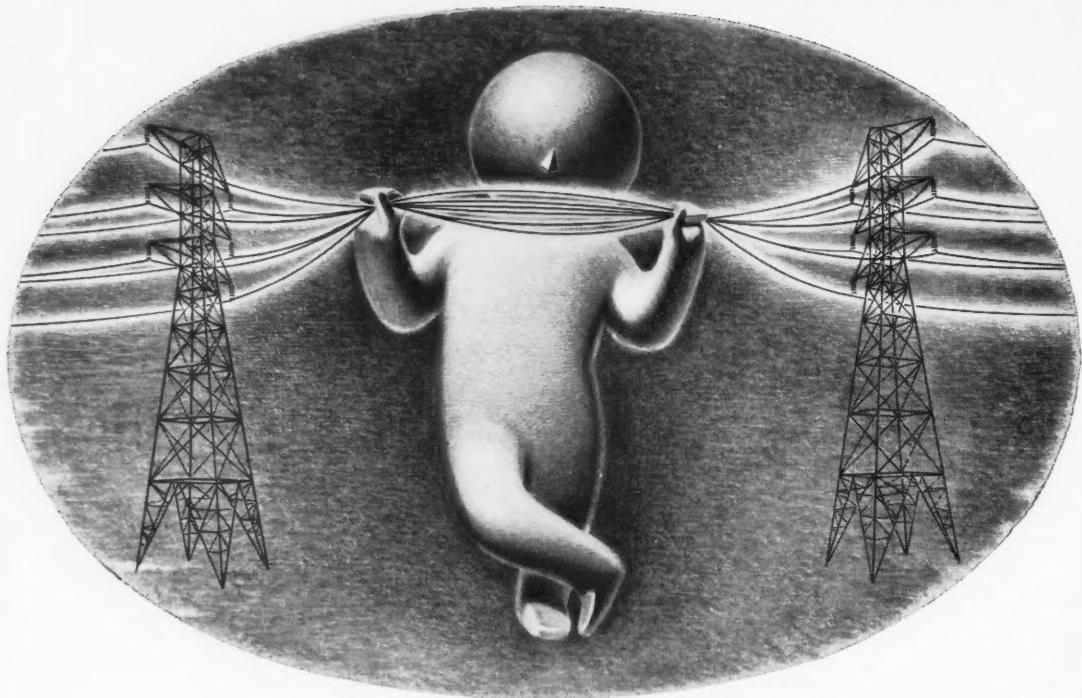
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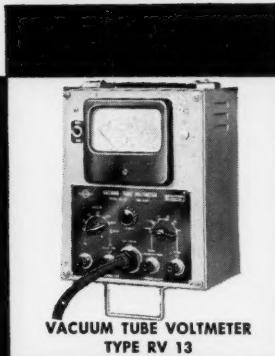
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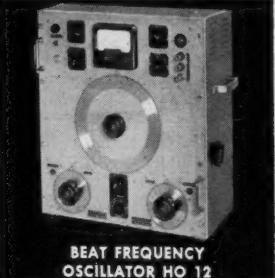
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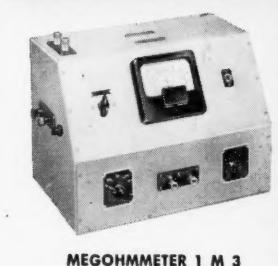
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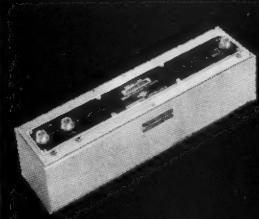
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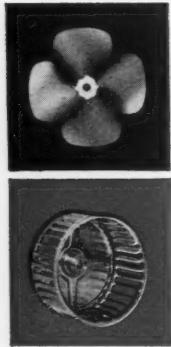
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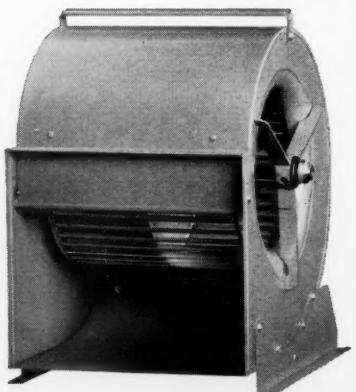
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Important people who are in the news

Russian speaker

Mr. E. I. Tolstikov of the USSR will talk at a world gathering of scientists in Toronto on the subject of arctic and antarctic investigation of the International Geophysical Year. His illustrated address will be given at the eleventh general assembly of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics which meets in Toronto, September 3 to 14, 1957. Mr. Tolstikov is deputy head of the Russian Central Department for the arctic seaway by which ships pass north of Siberia from European Russia to the Bering Sea and Pacific Ocean.

CAE appointment

The appointments of **R. W. Cooke** as vice-president engineering products, and of **C. J. Konzuk** as general manager, eastern division, have been announced. The new positions were created to support the company's expansion in the military and commercial electronics field.

Mr. Cooke has been with Canadian Aviation Electronics since 1952 as assistant chief engineer. Mr. Konzuk joined CAE in 1951.

Ross is assistant manager

The appointment of **J. W. Ross, P.Eng.**, as assistant manager, Development, of Linde Air Products Company, division of Union Carbide Canada Limited, has been announced.

A graduate in mechanical engineering from the University of Toronto, Mr. Ross joined Linde in 1944. His work in the development and application of all the newer welding techniques and processes has brought him in close contact with heavy industry on this continent. Prior to his new assignment, he was assistant manager, engineering.

New office

Russell A. Philpott, eastern Canadian representative for the Wallace Barnes Company Limited, a subsidiary of Asso-

ciated Spring Corporation, is in charge of the new Montreal sales office which has just been opened.

Winnipeg manager

James E. Scotten has been appointed manager of the Winnipeg district office of Canadian Allis-Chalmers. Mr. Scotten, who joined the company in 1951 as a sales engineer, was transferred the following year to the Winnipeg office. He is a graduate of the University of Manitoba.

Batler of Philips

The appointment of **Mr. Emmanuel Batler, B.Sc.**, as manager, professional products division, was announced last month by Philips Industries Ltd. Mr. Batler will direct the expanding marketing program of Philips' scientific, industrial and medical apparatus division. Mr. Batler was formerly general manager of Cushing and Nevell Limited and has had broad experience in technical and business areas in both the U. S. and Canada. He settled in Canada in 1952.

Curtin is techrep

Bakelite Company, Division of Union Carbide Canada Limited, announces the appointment of **Mr. Gordon Curtin** as technical representative. Mr. Curtin is a graduate of Macdonald College with a B.Sc. degree.

Four at National Carbon

New appointments to the development organization of National Carbon Company, division of Union Carbide Canada Ltd., have been announced. **Mr. W. A. Dimma, B.A.Sc., P.Eng.**, is appointed manager of the development organization. **Mr. W. L. Kennedy, B.Sc.**, and **Mr. H. L. Tipple, B.A.Sc., P.Eng.**, will be responsible for the development of new products while **Mr. H. M. Brown, B.A.Sc., P.Eng.**, laboratory director, continues in charge of existing products and process developments. The purpose of

this group is to investigate and develop new products to be manufactured or marketed by National Carbon.

Honeywell appointment

Gordon Stapleton has been appointed factory contact engineer of Honeywell Controls Ltd.

A graduate in mechanical engineering from the University of Toronto in 1955, he has been handling the design liaison section of factory contact work for Honeywell. He joined Honeywell in May, 1956 from Dunham-Bush (Canada) Ltd.

Peacock appointments

Peacock Brothers Limited has recently announced two appointments. They are **Ian C. Wilkie** as general works manager and **C. S. LeClair** as chief engineer of



LeClair



Wilkie

the company's new project and development department.

Prior to his latest appointment Mr. Wilkie was manager of the test plant and assistant to the president of the company on manufacturing and testing. Mr. LeClair directed his own consulting business in Toronto.

Honeywell sales supervisor

Jerry Sedgley has been appointed sales supervisor, Industrial Division, Central Region of Honeywell Controls Ltd.

Mr. Sedgley will assume the duties of Ray Hoover, who retired from the company on April 1, 1957. His responsibilities will include the co-ordinating of the Industrial Division's activities throughout Ontario.

A Honeywell employee since 1949, Sedgley is a graduate in mechanical engineering from the University of Toronto and was an RCAF Pilot Officer during World War II.

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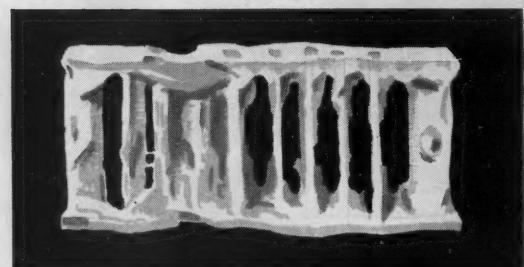
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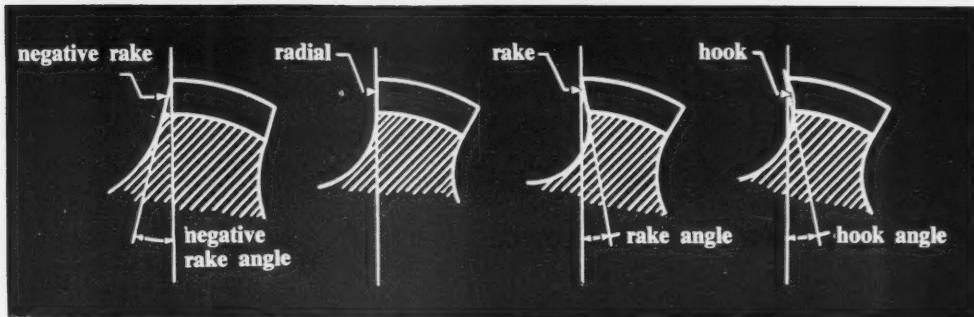
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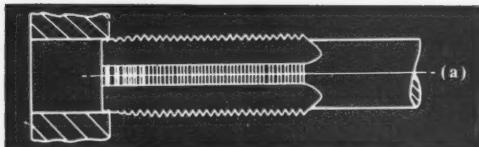
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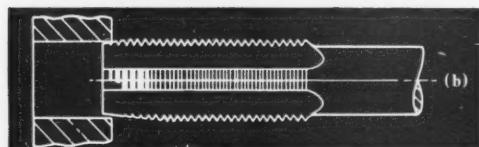
1. There are four designs of cutting face that may be incorporated in tap designs, namely, negative rake face, radial face, raked face and hooked face. The four designs are shown in above illustration.

A blueprint for designing a thread tap

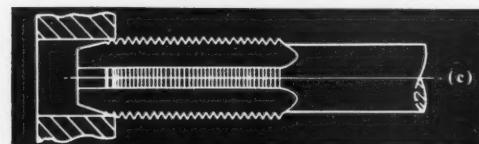
Armed with a fresh approach the author tackled a sagging tap business



2. Chamfer correctly ground. All lands of chamfered portion in contact. Point diameter large enough to permit only one thread to enter thus obtaining full cutting benefit of practically the entire chamfer.



3. Chamfer incorrectly ground. Lands of chamfered portion are uneven as to height, thus forcing the entire cutting burden on lesser number of lands. Result: poor threads, tap breakage, power waste.



4. Chamfer ground right for land height but point diameter too small, forcing cutting burden on small portion of chamfered section. Result: a shorter tap life due to dulled cutting edges and power wastage.

R. C. Stewart VANADIUM-ALLOYS STEEL CANADA

For many years, tap manufacturers have recognized the importance of standardizing screw threads and thread cutting tools. Evidence of this is the adoption and wide publication of standards designed to benefit all industry.

Better gauging and inspection of screw products has, for example, recently resulted in the consolidation of "Commercial Ground" and "Precision Ground" into one standard, thus effectively narrowing down the spread in fit tolerances to one half the original limits. In other words, all ground thread taps today are equivalent to the old precision ground with respect to limits.

Resulting from this tightening of limits has been the greater use of close fits, statistical methods of inspection in the manufacturing of components, and far greater use of interference fits in hydraulic systems and the like.

It would be well to stress at this point, however, that a tap manufacturer cannot guarantee the size of the tapped hole that will result from the use of his taps; his literature can only state within what size limits his taps will fall. And this is all that is claimed by the tap manufacturer.

The size of the threaded hole is dependent on various operating conditions, such as the equipment used, the material being tapped, size and condition of the hole, speed of operation, alignment, lubricant used and so forth.

Having been assigned the task of rebuilding a

"... he can only state within what size limits his taps will fall"

sagging tap business, a start was made by the author to see how the subject compared with the trade in general.

On production taps, a great deal of deviation existed among tap manufacturers with respect to adherence to basic principles. In some of the taps examined there was much lack of symmetry, bad indexing and the like, many suggesting freehand methods of fluting, squaring, pointing and so on.

Some of the shanks had coined squares, and there appeared to be no agreement as to whether male or female centres were best.

Producing good blanks was our first consideration, and much effort was spent in developing automatic tooling capable of producing good centres and step-down turning that was concentric.

Flute milling fixtures were required for multiple milling of flutes. These were required accurately to index the tap blanks to produce uniform symmetrical flutes regardless of number.

Ample support had to be provided to avoid distorting the centres, from which all final grinding is done.

In flute milling consideration was given to flute depth to provide optimum chip room without thinning the web extensively and thus weakening the tap. It is in consideration of this requirement that three and two flute taps are produced. Having fewer flutes, more chip space is provided and freer passage of the chips allowed.

Two types of flute

Spiral point taps (or gun taps, as they are often called) are a special development from the above reasoning. They are strictly a production tool, not intended for hand use. In these taps the flutes are divided into two sections:

(1) The conventional straight flute, generally, however, much shallower as they are not intended for chip passage. Being shallower (and hence thicker) they are much stronger.

(2) An angular section at the point (called the spiral point or flute) and having a cutting face A (see fig. 6) ground to a predetermined angle B relative to the axis of the tap, enabling the tap to cut with a shearing action (that is, with the least amount of thrust). The angle B deflects the chips so that they curl out and ahead of the tap (see fig. 5).

After fluting, the blanks are ready for hardening. As most production taps are made from high-speed steel, salt baths are the best selection for heat treatment.

Since our purpose was at the outset to produce a better tap, considerable study was made of the various high-speed steels that were available and considered suitable.

It was felt that, since taps that are not accidentally broken eventually wear undersize by abrasion and rubbing (and thus finally produce holes outside the tolerance) exploration of some of the newer high carbon, high vanadium types of high-speed steel should prove worth while. Finally decided upon was M4 (a patented composition manufactured by Vanadium Alloys Steel Co.), having the following nominal composition:

Carbon	1.27%
Tungsten	5.50%
Chromium	4.50%
Vanadium	4.00%
Molybdenum	4.50%

In the normal hardened state this steel retains a large amount of vanadium carbide particles uniformly distributed throughout the steel. This vanadium carbide is much harder than the carbides usually found to be present in conventional high-speed steels.

Naturally, the grinding of such a particularly hard material was expected to prove difficult, but fortunately it did not prove impossible.

After hardening, the centres were carefully lapped to provide good bearing surfaces. Incidentally, the angles on the machine centres should be slightly less than their female engagements on the tap blanks. The male centres should also be truncated, thereby permitting an annular ring contact between work centres and tap blanks. This provides a rigid mount keeping the tap solidly against the grinding wheel.

More horsepower is required to drive the grinding wheel, but apart from that, no special care was necessary in grinding, as long as the wheels were kept sharp and free cutting, and the usual care was exercised to avoid grinding burn.

As most production taps are of the spiral point variety, much care was given to the flute polishing to maintain symmetry and maximum strength. It is of interest to note here that a great fallacy exists regarding the rigidity of taps (that is, their resistance to whipping or twisting elastically). The property of stiffness involves the Shear Modulus (G). Stated simply, it prescribes that within the elastic range, the modulus does not change with heat treatment or composition within the usual composition ranges of steels suitable for tap manufacture. The only way, therefore, to stiffen a tap that is felt to be too springy, is to increase its cross-section. It

Hardness of various substances

Material indented	Knoop hardness (K25) average	Knoop hardness (K25) range	Number of indents
Oil hardening tool-steel	790	770- 800	4
Cementite in carbon steel	1150	1060-1240	8
Complex chrom-iron carbide in high carbon, high chrome steel	1820	1690-1960	7
Aluminum oxide (alundum)	2440	1900-2920	19
Complex vanadium carbide	2540	2340-2760	8
Silicon carbide	3590	3070-3980	200



5. Perfect action with a spiral point tap. Note how the chips twist around each other indicating that there is uniform loading on each of the lands.

is for this reason that spiral point taps are so desirable for production work.

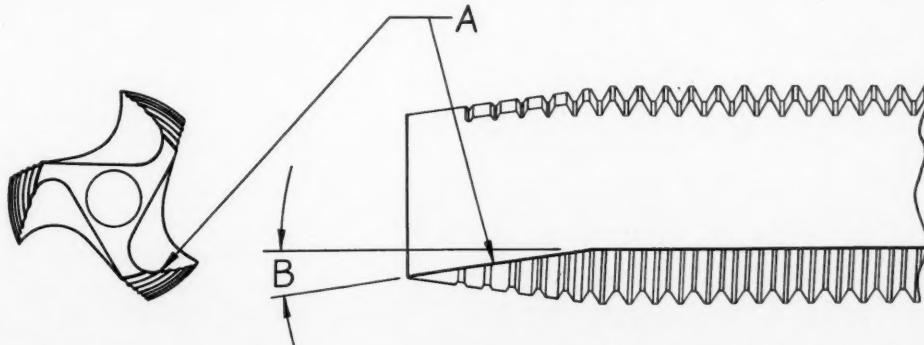
In this type of tap, all the cutting is done by the spiral point and here then was one of the focal points for improvement.

Chamfering was done on special fixtures to provide eccentric relief for adequate clearance. On resharpening, the grinding is done from the spiral end, driving the spiral point further and further back rather than by face grinding, which would reduce the effective diameter.

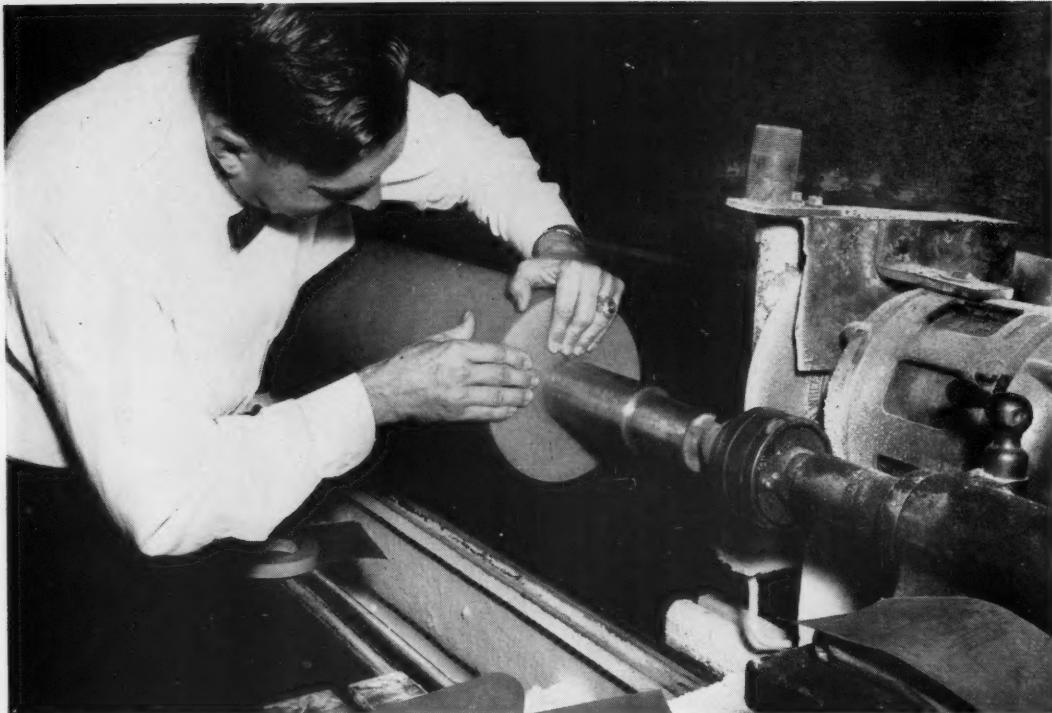
In cutting, since the chips flow laterally over the spiral point or flute, it was decided to grind this portion along the direction of the chip flow, rather than down the axis of the tap, as is usually done.

This necessitated developing a new technique using pencil wheels and freehand grinding. Because the grinding marks were parallel to the chip flow, very favorable chip flow was obtained, with extremely low chip pressure, and virtually no chip pickup on the spiral point.

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6. Cutting face A has been ground to predetermined angle B relative to the axis of the tap.



1. Experiments show distinct advantages for the new silicone rubber, especially in production of newsprint.

Silicone rubber can do more than ever

Improvements keep coming fast. One is in the basic polymer structure

By G. R. Ball BAKELITE COMPANY

During the past ten years, product designers have accepted silicone rubber as a useful engineering material. This acceptance came about because of its outstanding properties: excellent resistance to oxidation, ozone and other chemicals; high electrical insulating values; good release from sticky materials over a wide temperature range; flexibility and long life at extremely high and low temperatures; high thermal conductivity.

How does this new gum stock help?

New uses for silicone rubbers are now possible because of recent developments. Compounds made with a new silicone rubber gum stock do all that previously-known silicone rubbers would do, as well as having many striking advantages. The use of this gum does away with many of the special compounding and curing techniques so necessary with conventional silicone rubbers. This could lead to a reduction in the cost of silicone rubber products.

These properties were just what designers needed for such diversified uses as oven door and aircraft door gaskets, hot oil pump seals and O-rings, electrical wire and cable insulation and many other products where temperature extremes are met.

During this time, researchers were of course trying to improve the properties of silicone rubber to extend its uses into new fields. Until recently, any improvements that had been made were through filler and compounding variations applied to the conventional dimethyl silicone gum systems.

Union Carbide scientists tried a new approach. They worked on changes to the basic polymer structure and came up with this radically different silicone rubber gum stock. The improved properties have resulted in important new uses for silicone rubbers.

So significant is this development that many authorities believe the straight dimethyl gum stock (the original backbone of conventional silicone rubber) is on the verge of obsolescence.

The secret of the particular properties of the new gum stock and its compounds is that a controlled number of reactive vinyl groups have been built into each silicone molecule. These groups determine the final structure of the cured rubber. It is this "controlled reactivity" that gives dramatic advantages in compounding and curing the rubber, as well as imparting special properties to the cured product. These new vinyl gums

can be cured with a new selective catalyst or any of the usual silicone rubber-curing catalysts.

Some of the significant advantages are:

- (a) solid, rapidly post-cured, thick sections;
- (b) new low values in compression without using toxic or volatile additives;
- (c) exceptional resistance to high pressure steam;
- (d) conductive silicone rubber possible using carbon black fillers;
- (e) retention of the minimum of catalyst residues.

Typical applications

A few examples follow of the way the new gum stock and its compounds can expand the use of silicone rubber into quite different fields.

Rolls. One of the major uses is in rubber-covered rolls. This potentially large field opens for the first time to silicone rubber because of the thick-section curing feature of "controlled reactivity" gums. Conventional silicone rubbers could not be successfully cured (or vulcanized) in thick-section moldings.

There are many places where the outstanding non-sticking properties of silicone rubber, or its unsurpassed thermal stability, have been required in rolls and are now obtainable through the new gum. These include the paper, textile, plastics, graphic arts, glass and metal-working industries.

The first time that a silicone rubber-covered roll was ever used on a paper machine took place earlier this year at the School of Paper-Making in Three Rivers, Quebec. This roll was built by American Wringer Company using compounds made with the new silicone gum. The roll (34 in. long by 12 in. diameter) was used on the school's experimental paper machine in the top press position. Results of this experiment were highly successful and showed the distinct advantages of silicone rubber over the usual roll coverings, especially in newsprint production.

The excellent release qualities of this silicone roll were particularly noticeable. As a result larger rolls are being built and full-scale mill trials at newsprint mills are in prospect.

Conductive Rubber. For the first time too, conductive silicone rubber compounds can be made by mixing the "controlled reactivity" gum with conducting carbon blacks. The product combines the particular properties of silicone rubber with the highest degree of electrical conductivity now commercially available in a flexible thermosetting material.

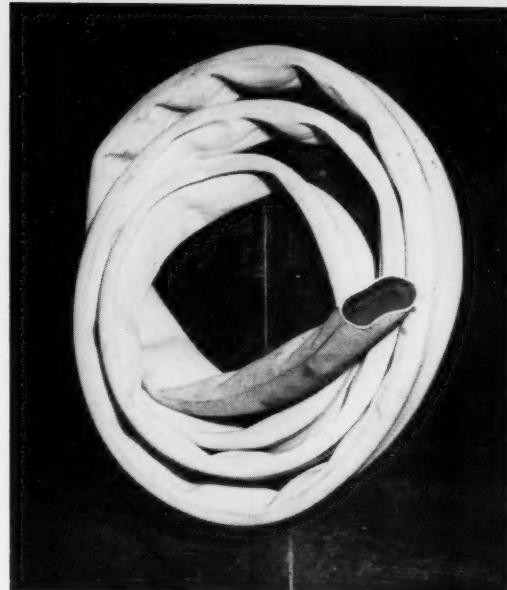
Heaters of various kinds can be formed to any shape. These heaters resist mechanical shocks or blows fatal to brittle materials like graphite and ceramic. Heating elements formed from this new compound have been continuously operated as high as 400 F for moderate periods of time, without significant deterioration of desirable properties.

The material can be extruded as electrically conductive tubing or hose. Its ability to drain static charges and prevent sparking makes these products of interest in handling inflammable or explosive gases or dusts, and in sand blasting.

Electrical conductivity in a roll covered with this silicone compound provides a way to dissipate static electricity, heat the roll surface or both.

Another use is to provide an electrical conductive shield for silicone insulated electrical equipment or other

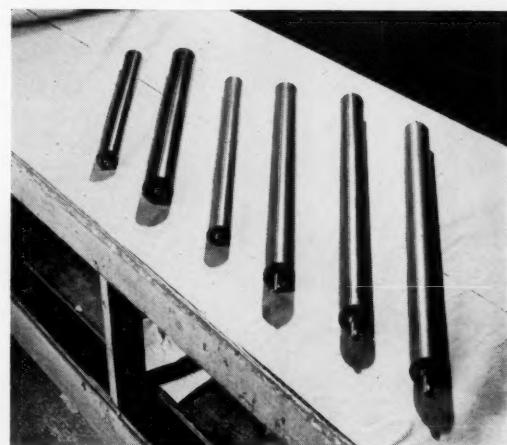
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2. This hot air hose has a lining of silicone rubber.



3. Parts moulded and extruded from silicone rubber.



4. Some of Union Carbide's new silicone rubber rolls.

"Development of a 'controlled reactivity' gum is a striking advance"



5. Research must be a continuous process for progress.

types of equipment operating at high temperature; and also in the construction of special power transmission beltings, where spark discharges are hazardous.

Other possibilities for special applications of this compound include: anti-fogging heaters in aerial cameras, aircraft and marine instruments and anti-static conveyor belts.

By simply blending these carbon-black-filled compounds with silica-filled silicone rubber compounds, a whole range of different conductivities can be obtained for specific applications.

Formerly silicone rubbers took a high permanent set when compressed at high temperatures. This difficulty was partially solved by adding special fillers (such as oxides of mercury) to the conventional dimethyl silicone rubber compounds.

The new gum gives even lower compression set values without these toxic additives. Sets of 15% can now be obtained, as compared with 82% with conventional silicone rubber compounds. This means better products and no worry about the health hazard of the toxic additives.

New uses are opening in foods, drugs and pharmaceutical manufacture, because inert products are needed there with good low compression set.

Conventional silicone rubbers were excellent for low and high temperature service, having a useful temperature range when compounded from -120 to 600 F.

The new gum permits an even wider range of temperatures. One special low temperature compound has been developed that remains flexible (and keeps its elastomeric properties) down to -150 F.

Although previous silicone rubbers were excellent for high temperature service, the extreme 600 F high temperature resistance and low compression set of certain of the new compounds have opened new fields for rubber in press pads and heater ducts.

Prior to "controlled reactivity" gums, silicone rubber failed in high pressure steam service. Compounds based on a new gum retain their properties on exposure to 100 lb. steam, whereas a typical dimethyl silicone compound is rapidly degraded. This means that the excellent thermal stability of silicone rubbers can now be used without serious degradation in high temperature steam gaskets, hoses and other seals.

In many sealing applications, silicone rubber is in contact with hot oil or solvent. The improved oil resistance of the new gums is being made use of in the automobile industry for transmission seals, and further extension of this type of seal is foreseen in railroad applications.

Future outlook

The development of the "controlled reactivity" gum is a striking advance in silicone rubber technology. It means that new compounds for thick sections with lower compression set, greater steam and oil resistance and with amplified vulcanized schedules are now available.

Improvements in these new compounds are imminent as further gum modifications are made and more fabricators develop new compounding techniques. From all this, important new uses for silicone rubber have resulted. Many additional applications will be uncovered as product designers experiment still further. ★

Where to Use Conducting Silicone Rubbers

The new silicone rubber compounds, filled with conduction carbon black, are suggested for uses where:

1. An electrically conductive rubber is required to operate at higher or lower temperatures than are possible with other rubbers.
2. High stability of electrical conductivity during processing is required.
3. Uniformity of electrical conductivity throughout a product is desired.
4. A series of compounds with various electrical conductivities is needed.
5. Difficult problems in fine profile extrusion are encountered and electrical conductivity is either required or is important.
6. The non-sticking properties of silicones are needed with good electrical conductivity.

Could powder metallurgy benefit you?

It's a process that takes complex periphery contours in its stride

By George G. Karian F. J. STOKES CORPORATION

The variety of shapes into which powder metal parts can be made is very great. Any contour of the periphery (however complex and whether internal or external) is as perfectly suited to powder metal processing as it is unsuited (or costly) to forming by other methods.

Sharp variations in thickness in the direction of pressing should be avoided. Such variations may make the unsintered pieces difficult to handle and are likely to set up severe strains when sintered. Further, they require presses equipped with complex motions. When extreme variations in thickness cannot be avoided, they may to a great extent be offset by corrective variations in opposite positions. Thus (by redesigning) a deep annular groove on one side of a piece may be offset by a corresponding ridge on the opposite side.

Variations in final dimensions of powder metal parts are due to die tolerances, die deflection, shrinking or swelling during sintering and certain other causes. They are greater with low density pieces than with high density pieces. They are less with symmetrical parts than with unsymmetrical parts. Distortion can often be anticipated when designing powder metal parts and can be offset by proper allowances in making punches and dies.

Radial (side to side) tolerances of ± 0.003 in. and axial (direction of pressing) tolerances of ± 0.005 in. are easily met. On some materials, tolerances of ± 0.001 in. are fully practical. Tolerances as low as ± 0.0005 in. can be met by sizing (re-pressing after sintering) but this is an additional operation and such close tolerances

Designing for powder metals

Many of the current standards and qualifications relating to powder metal design and manufacture are here set forth for the guidance of design engineers interested in powder metal processing.

Often, a moderate change in design (without change in specification) will be sufficient to adapt a part to the powder metal process and offer a practical compromise between a design which, on the one hand, is ill-suited to powder metal and, on the other hand, is too expensive to produce by any other method.

Manufacturers of metal powders, powder metal presses and sintering equipment (and custom manufacturers of powder metal parts) are always glad to offer a specific appraisal of the suitability of a given part to powder metallurgy.

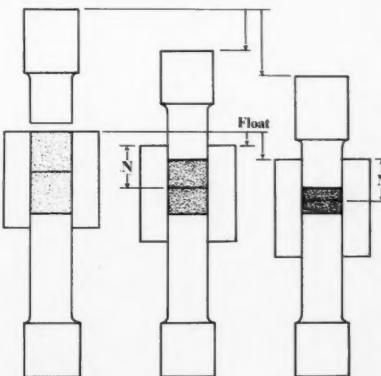
should not be sought unless absolutely necessary.

Practically every piece that is now being commercially produced of powder metals can be classified into five general types, with a few variations:

Class I. The simplest pieces that can be formed by pressing are those with two flat parallel faces (Fig. 1) These pieces are made by flat face punches and can be pressed by pressure from above only, by pressing from



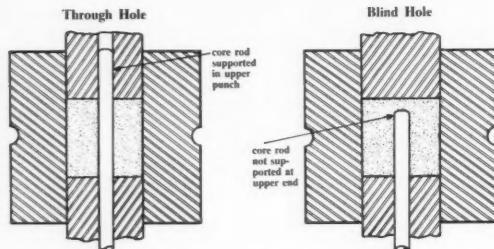
1. Parts with two flat parallel faces are simplest to powder metal form. They are made by flat face punches.



2. A floating die table and a stationary lower punch are shown here filled, at half and full compression.



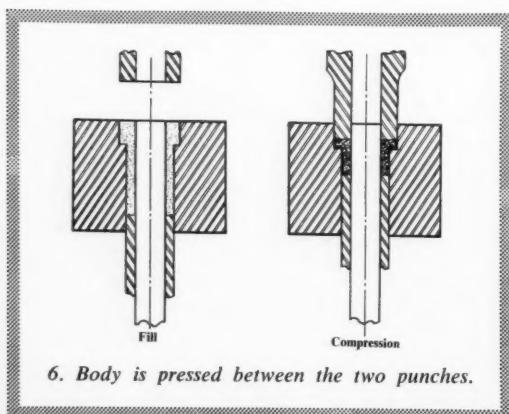
3. Powder pressings made around stationary core rods.



4. Principle by which the parts shown above are made.



5. Parts with an external flange made by upper punch.



6. Body is pressed between the two punches.

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The versatility of powder metallurgy

above and below, or by a floating die with a stationary lower punch (Fig. 2). The double-action pressure from top and bottom tends to give more uniform density. The action of a floating die table and a descending upper punch can produce the same compressive forces as are obtained with dual action, with pressure from the top and bottom.

Class II. The next group consists of similar pieces which have one or more holes through them parallel to the direction of pressing (Fig. 3). These pieces are made by pressing the powder around stationary core rods (Fig. 4). The top of the core rod is set flush with the die and the top punch has a mating hole into which the core rod enters while the powder is being compressed. For making thin-walled bushings, the core rod is withdrawn before the filling operation and pushed back into place before pressing. The timing is such that the downward motion of the core rod occurs before the pressed piece is ejected, thus reducing the ejection load as well as assisting in the filling operation. Odd shapes and multiple core rods require more complicated die design, but the principle of operation is the same. Tapered sections may also be included.

Class III. The next type of part is the piece with an external flange, made with or without the movable core rod (Fig. 5). The flange is formed by the upper punch pressing against the shoulder in the die, while the body of the piece is pressed between the two punches (Fig. 6). As the powder will not flow from the flange section of the die into the body section, the depth of the flange section must be carefully predetermined or a provision made for adjustment of the shoulder. Flange pieces require a spring mounted upper punch (or a spring section under the flange) so that the upper punch can close the die before the motion of the lower punch pushes powder out of the die. To avoid spring die sections or hydraulically floating die sections (which may prove troublesome) many of the cam presses are equipped with cams giving nonsimultaneous pressure. The upper punch descends and closes the die before the lower punch moves. Near the end of the compressing cycle, the upper punch moves down a small additional amount to strengthen the flange.

Class IV. Pieces with an internal flange (Fig. 7) are made in a similar manner, using a shouldered core rod instead of a shouldered die. Nonsimultaneous motions or spring members are required, similar to those for external flanges.

Class V. Pieces with different pressing levels, such as step flanges or double hubs (Fig. 8), require additional punches (Fig. 9) or additional spring sections. Special cam motions are sometimes required to prevent breakage of pieces with thin sections or thin flanges, when starting to eject. In such cases, the cams are so designed that the two lower punches start moving upward simultaneously (maintaining their same relative pressing positions), to break the piece free from the die wall and continue ejection until the lower punches are level with the top of the die. In some instances it is possible to have the lower punches leveled in the die after over-

makes it suited to many applications other forming methods can't tackle

coming the initial resistance to ejection, thus permitting the piece to be ejected. Problems also arise in connection with the removal of complicated pieces from the die or from an irregular punch face after ejection from the die. When the lower punch projects above the die table for the purpose of ejection, it would normally interfere with the feed shoe mechanism. This may be overcome by adding an extension to the face of the feed shoe which is raised so that it pushes the finished piece away before the shoe itself reaches the die. After ejection, the forward motion of the feed shoe is then delayed or stopped until the lower punch has time to retract.

Limitations of punches and dies

Certain shapes require dies of weak design and must be modified to eliminate feather edges, very small pins or narrow die recesses. Furthermore, tools for briquetting narrow splines will necessarily be weak in design.

A little flat is required on taper parts in order to avoid a feather edge on the tool. On spherical bearings, a minimum flat of $3/32$ in. on the OD increases tool life and makes for more economical production.

In general practice, a minimum wall thickness of 0.030 in. is recommended for punches to produce thin wall bearings or parts having thin wall sections. Any reduction in this wall area makes the tools susceptible to bending and buckling and very often presents serious manufacturing problems during heat treatment of the tools. Most presses have die cavities larger than is required for making high pressure powder metal parts. There are several reasons for this. The chief one is to provide ample thickness for the die cases when die inserts are to be made from more expensive die materials, such as high chrome-high carbon steels or carbide.

In checking die wall thickness, it is assumed for safety reasons that full transmission of hydraulic pressure is obtained, even though this is contrary to the no-side-flow theory previously indicated under Class III pieces. It is also assumed that the tensile stress in the die wall is distributed over an area corresponding to three times the thickness of the piece. No die wall failures have occurred using this rule-of-thumb method.

Materials for dies

Die inserts are sometimes held in place by shrink fits. The cases are then made of a chrome-nickel steel which is not as hard as the usual die steels, but is much tougher. This steel is also used when the die insert is to be held by screws, since this additional toughness minimizes thread failures. When making shrink fits, the usual interference between cold cases and steel inserts is about 0.0015 in. per in. of diameter. When carbide inserts are to be shrink-fitted, only about 0.001 in. per in. should be allowed, for the carbide will not "give" as much as the steel, because it has nearly three times the elastic modulus.

Regarding die (or die-insert) materials, the first test dies on any high production job are usually made of high carbon tool steel, which is comparatively inexpensive and easy to work. With these dies, shrinkage allow-



7. Parts with an internal flange are made by using a shouldered core rod instead of using shouldered die.

ances and other operating details can be determined before proceeding with the production dies. These production dies are usually made of a more wear-resistant steel or (if total production justifies the expense) carbide inserts.

The useful life of a die depends on many factors, such as the nature of the material being pressed, the unit pressure to be used, allowable tolerances in the finished part, material of construction and surface finish in the cavity. High chrome-high carbon steels are used for medium production requirements. These steels produce from 5 to 20 times as many parts as the high carbon tool steels. The analysis usually runs about 12% chrome and 1.5% to 2% carbon and both oil-hardening and air-hardening grades are available. The air-hardening type is used for dies having sharp corner cavities which might not stand the shock of oil quenching. There are some very definite indications that new steels (in which much of the chromium is replaced by vanadium) will give much better die life.

Where volume of production is high (or tolerance requirements are close) dies should be made of carbide, and low cobalt percentages should be used. Dies for pressing carbide materials must be made of carbide; the best of die steels would produce only a few hundred thousand pieces before becoming badly worn.

Die design

Die entrance edges should be bevelled at a steep angle, about 30 deg. from the vertical. The bevel should be $1/64$ or $1/32$ in. deep, depending on the die size and the thickness of the pressed pieces. This bevel prevents injury to the punch faces when setting up and operating. Horizontal joints in or near the area of the die wall should be avoided, as fine powder works into such joints and spreads the sections vertically, in spite of all pre-

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cautions regarding the finish of mating surfaces and high retaining pressures.

It is sometimes necessary to taper dies to relieve expansion strains during ejection, otherwise horizontal laminations may appear in the compressed pieces. It is usually unnecessary to make full allowance for the complete expansion of the pieces. An allowance of two thirds is usually sufficient. If the pressed piece after ejection is 0.006 in. larger than the die (at the compression point), the taper can be made 0.004 in.

Core rods in general have the same operating requirements as dies and should be made of the same material. Small rods should be made of tougher material and the design of core rod and holder should permit easy and inexpensive replacement of the working section of the core rod tip. Chromium plating (to bring the tips back to size) should be used only with the greatest caution and only when the required plate thickness is less than 0.001 in. Thicker plating may crack off and ruin a set of punches. During the last few years a process known as flame-plating (see Design Engineering, June 1956) has been developed by the Linde Air Products Company. This enables tool manufacturers to coat core rod tips with carbide.

Punch steel requirements are very different from die steel requirements. Here toughness is an important factor. High carbon-high chromium steels are too brittle in most instances. Punches of thick section or intricate shape should be made of steel with 3% nickel and 3/4% chrome and carbon between 0.40 and 0.50 points. The lower carbon content is used when sections are thin or chamfer edges are present. Special analysis steels in the SAE 3400 class are used. For less delicate parts SAE 3200 steels are used. It is usually a simple matter to reface punches and a much less expensive operation than replacing broken ones. When abrasion of punch faces is high, punch inserts can be used. In some cases in multiple-punch set ups, a punch may have to function partly as a die, as shown in Fig. 9.

Carbide punch faces are sometimes used in pressing abrasive material. Although the limitation is currently being corrected, these faces have a tendency to pit at high pressures and also to separate from the steel after

a number of pressings. Producers using carbide punch faces should be equipped for replacing and refacing the punch tips. The grade of carbide used on punch faces is not as brittle or as hard as that used on die-inserts. The 9% to 12% cobalt grades are more durable and are usually used for punch faces.

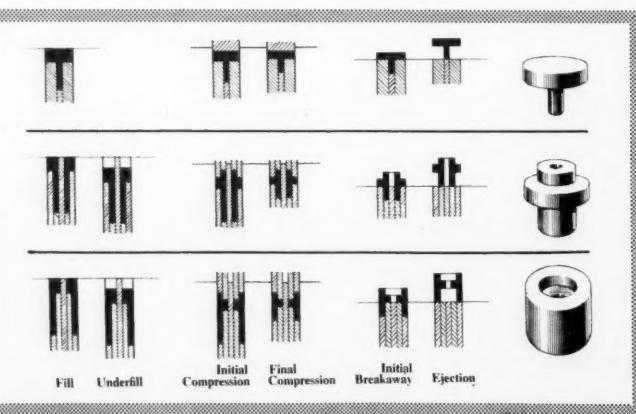
Lower punches should be "relieved" or ground undersize on the OD and larger on the ID to permit the escape of powder passing down between the punch faces. The "land" or full-size section should be narrow (1/8 in. to 3/8 in. usually) depending on the diameter and thickness of the compressed pieces. If a shouldered die or core rod is used, a corresponding "land" should be left longer on the punch to reach below the shoulder of the die at ejection. This maintains the normal close clearance and prevents powder from running through the relieved sections.

Punches should be made to fit the dies and not made to tolerances. The tolerance should be on the die and core rod dimensions. The finest fits are used. Any slight variation in powder fill tends to push the core rod to one side, taking up all the clearance in one direction and producing eccentric parts. No amount of pressure in the subsequent sizing operation can entirely correct the original eccentricity. For bushings, the diametral clearance is usually not over 0.0002 in. For other applications, the clearances are more liberal, 0.0005 to 0.001 in. on the diametral dimensions.

In the making of the punches themselves, concentricity of punch and the punch shank or punch holder need not be held to high accuracy. Most presses manufactured today include provision for a side-wise movement in the punch and die socket so that accurate concentricity can be obtained during set up. However, there is no provision for adjusting out-of-square and the squareness must be accurately maintained in these tools.

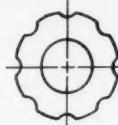
Die cavities and core rods should be lapped and polished to a high finish after final grinding, and the last polishing or lapping should be parallel to the axis of compression. The micro-inch finish should be 5 or better. When surface finish cannot be readily checked by profilometer, a visual check for "mirror" finish by an experienced tool maker is satisfactory.

Punch faces and punch lands should have the same surface finish as the die cavities, and the final polish on punch lands should be parallel to the punch axis.

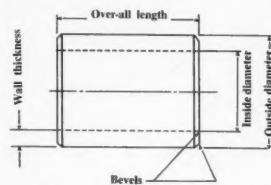


8 and 9. These parts have different pressing levels, such as step flanges or double hubs and as a result they will require use of additional punches or additional spring sections. Fig. 9 shows three parts in sequence.

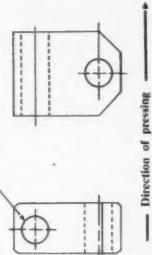
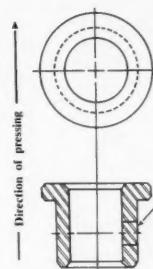
10. Typical design considerations.



Avoid parts with very narrow and deep splines. Parts with splines like those at right are best.

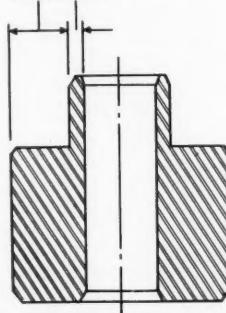


Good design properties for powder metallurgy.

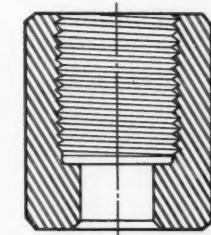
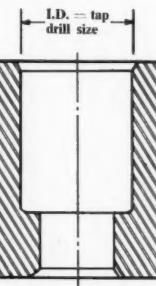
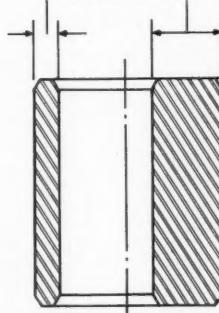


Holes at right angles to direction of pressing will not mold but will necessitate drilling.

Large and abrupt change in thickness

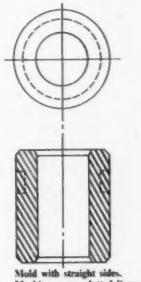
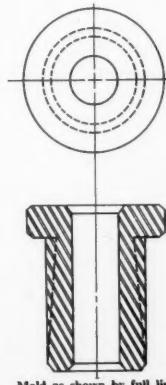
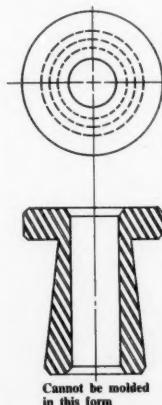


Uneven cross-sections



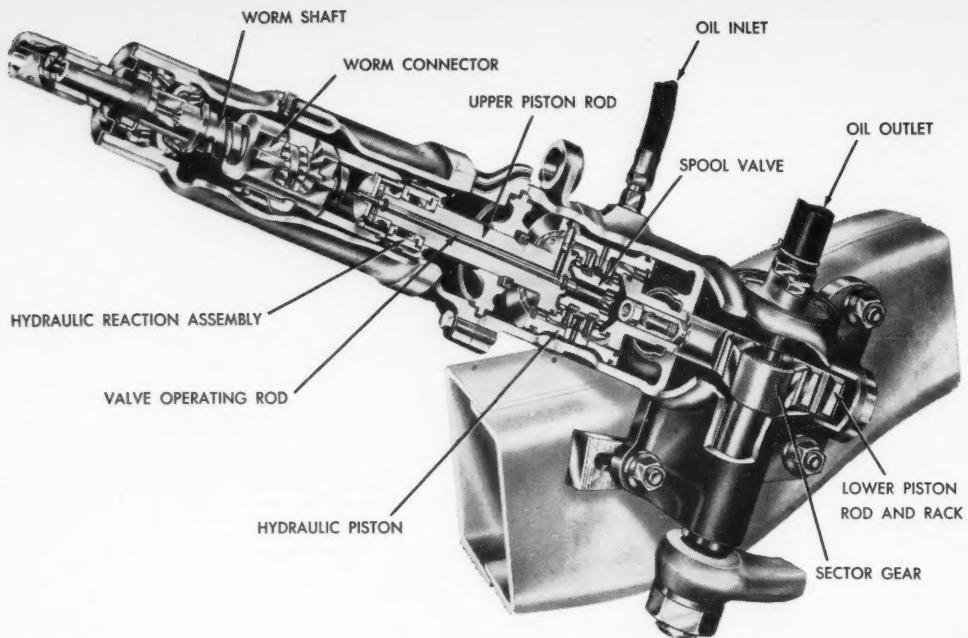
These designs are unsuitable for powder parts.

Both these designs are good for powder parts.



Design at left is bad. Design on right, good.

Design at left is bad. Design on right, good.



1. In the "full-time" Chrysler gear, 80% of the steering effort is taken by the power assist from the start.

Mechanical muscle makes steering easy

Power steering is rapidly becoming a necessity rather than a luxury

Until recently, the effort required to steer a car was not considered burdensome. Any help (which usually came from the rear seat) was purely supervisory. Yet now, something like a quarter of all the cars made in Canada and the U. S. are fitted with power-assisted steering.

One reason for this is that tires have become wider, have lower inflation pressures and thus have more surface to scrub on the road. Cars have grown heavier and both passengers and engines have been moved toward the front end, so that more than half the total weight is now on the front wheels. Older people are driving, more and more cars are on the road, and there is more manoeuvring into tight places.

All these changes mean that greater steering effort is required and, to help matters, engineers first made a number of detail improvements. Steering-gear ratios (turns of the steering wheel per turn of the road wheels in steering) were increased; ball bearings were used wherever possible. But a limit was reached and, five years ago, power-assisted steering (long used on buses, trucks and large military vehicles) was offered as an extra-cost fitting on one make of car. It is now available on every American-type car and is standard on two.

Whether it is worth having or not is a matter of preference. When you first try it, you will hardly notice any difference in open-road driving, but will be delighted by the ability to make sharp turns with one finger on the wheel. Power steering has advantages from the safety point of view, making it possible to steer out of

trouble or to overcome the pull of a blown out front tire. Most drivers feel far less fatigued after a long journey with power steering, probably because it adds a hydraulic damper to the steering gear and thus tends to prevent road shocks from reaching the driver through the steering wheel. From the engineer's point of view, power makes it possible to go back to a lower steering ratio, so that less winding of the steering wheel is required, and to regain a free hand in working out the best steering geometry, that is, the exact setting of the kingpin (the more-or-less vertical pin, about which each front wheel swings in steering).

Now as to how it works. The power is obtained from oil supplied under pressure by a pump driven by the engine. As in all hydraulic power systems, the heart of the mechanism is a valve which controls the flow of the oil. In this case, the valve is moved from side to side, to uncover ports drilled in the valve housing when the driver turns the steering wheel. Oil flows through the ports to a double-acting power cylinder, the piston rod of which is connected to some convenient point in the steering linkage.

So far, power-assisted steering is very similar to the hydraulic control mechanisms found in many airplanes and power tools. But a most important difference is that the power system must be added to (and must in no way replace any part of) a complete mechanical steering gear. That is, it must "fail safe." The driver must have full control of his steering in spite of a complete failure

of the hydraulic gear. Also, as we shall see later, refinements have been added to restore the "feel of the road."

We need not consider the design of the oil pump in detail. Several makes of pump are available, capable of supplying oil at $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 gpm at from 750 to 1,000 psi. In most cases, the pump is mounted on the end of the generator, which in turn is driven by a belt from the engine. The reservoir and filter are built right into the pump housing.

The heart of the system is the control valve; both poppet and spool valves are used, the spool type being far more general. Fig. 2 shows a complete Saginaw steering gear (less the linkage to the front wheels) in diagrammatic form. This gear is used on all General Motors cars. The spool valve is shown as though it were in a separate housing below the rest of the gear, but in actual practice the valve housing and the steering gear housing are in one casting and the oil passages are drilled. The other parts of the gear are familiar enough—the steering wheel, which, when turned, winds a nut (in the power gear this nut is also the hydraulic piston); the nut moves the steering arm, through a rack and pinion, to steer the front wheels.

The gear is shown in Fig. 2 as it would be with the steering wheel set to drive straight ahead. The control valve is centred and is held central by a spring, no hydraulic effort being exerted. Note, however, that the oil flow is not cut off, but that oil is free to enter both ends of the hydraulic cylinder equally. It builds up an "idle" pressure of from 30 to 50 psi and fills all the available space, keeping all air out of the system and forming a damper.

In Fig. 3 the steering wheel of the Saginaw gear has been turned so as to steer to the right. The piston has been wound (as a nut) to the right by the ball-bearing thread. The steering arm has been moved so as to swing the wheels over and steer the car to the right. So far, this has been a straight-forward mechanical job: How about now getting some power assistance?

To get the hydraulic system to help, we must first move the valve. Note that the ball-thrust bearing which locates the steering shaft lengthways has been pulled slightly to the left, in spite of the springs (not shown) that hold it central. This movement is just a few thousandths of an inch, but it is sufficient (working through a $2\frac{1}{2} : 1$ lever) to pull the spool valve off to the right. Oil pressure is now applied to the left end of the power cylinder and the return line shut off, while the return line is simultaneously connected to the right end of the power cylinder and pressure cut off. Thus hydraulic effort is added to help push the piston to the right.

Just as soon as the required work has been accomplished (or just as soon as the driver stops pulling at the steering wheel), both the thrust bearing and the spool valve return to neutral, a balanced oil pressure is restored to both sides of the piston and the steering position is held.

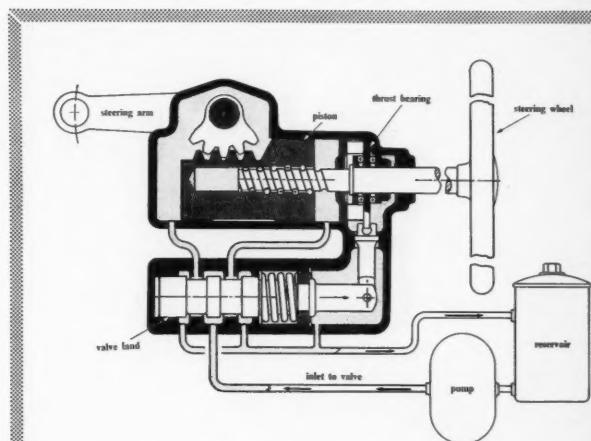
In order to prevent the power helper from jumping in too eagerly and perhaps tending to take charge, the centring springs of the gear's thrust bearing and valve combine to hold the valve central until the driver has exerted at least 2 lb pull at the rim of the steering wheel. Up to this pull, steering is mechanical and unassisted: beyond this pull, power assistance comes in.

Chrysler engineers do not agree with this. In the "full-time" Chrysler gear (shown in Fig. 1), 80% of the steering effort is taken over by the power assistance right from the start. As this illustration shows, the gear is extremely compact. The spool valve is placed right inside the hydraulic piston and the whole mechanism

fits neatly inside a steering column that is little larger than standard. The spool valve is pushed (or pulled) directly by the worm nut and is designed to be fully open at only 0.003 to 0.004 in. displacement. It is first hardened, then ground to a clearance only 0.0003 to 0.0008 in. (on diameter) in the valve housing.

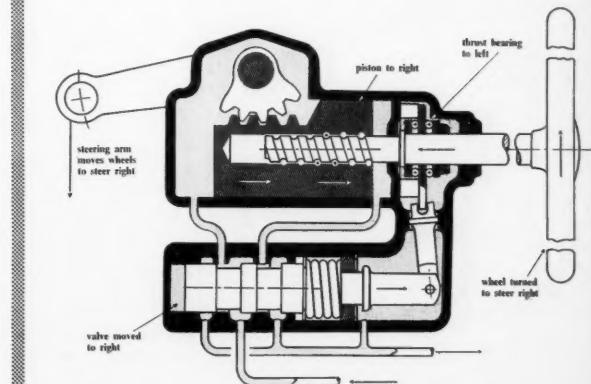
If you are a skilled driver, you are lost without the feel of the road (the resistance to your pull on the steering wheel) especially on a slippery road or when cornering at high speed. Accordingly, in both the Saginaw and the Chrysler gears, a feedback arrangement indicates to the driver how much help he is being given by the hydraulic system, by stiffening the resistance to further turning of the steering wheel as oil pressure builds up. In the Saginaw gear, however, this feedback pressure is limited to 250 psi by a relief valve, in order to limit the effort required to turn the steering wheel when parking.

In other designs of power-assisted steering gear (such as the Bendix (Ford cars) and the British Girling gear) the spool valve is almost unchanged, but the port arrangement in the valve housing is slightly different.



2. Gear shown with the steering straight ahead.

Here's the "inside story" on the mechanism



3. Saginaw gear is turned to steer to the right.

Design news in pictures



Undisputed holder of the "world's fastest railway" title is that at Edwards Air Force Base in the Mojave Desert. Two miles long, its sled (rocket powered) hustles up to 900 mph before a water trough between the tracks slows it again. The Cook sled is shown here as it begins to brake in the water trough during highspeed chute testing. (201)



A one-piece, lightweight telephone—the Ericofon—is now available in Canada. Designed by the L. M. Ericsson Telephone Company (of Stockholm, Sweden) it is probably the first really new design since the dial system was introduced. By doing away with all the unnecessary parts in a two-piece handset they improved what was left. (202)



One of the largest solid granite surface plates in Canada has been set up at Orenda Engines Ltd. Measuring 12 x 6 x 2 ft. it weighs around 15 tons and will be used to check the test equipment on Iroquois jet plants. (203)

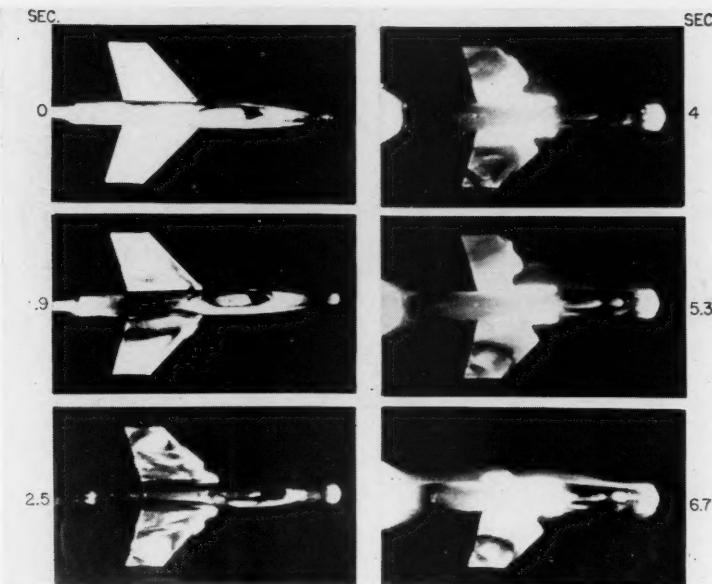


A new type of waterstop is in use on many construction projects. It is a Bakelite elastomeric vinyl compound produced by Electrovort Inc. and has the name Durajoint. A cross section photo shows variety of patterns. (204)

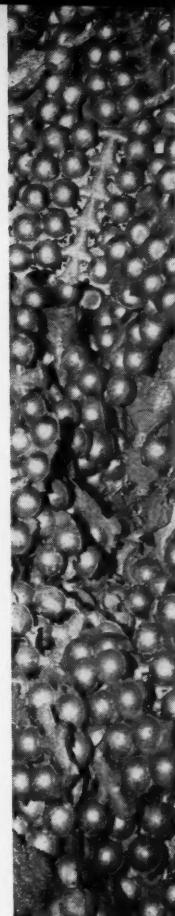


Canny German answer to the universal parking headache is this brainchild of Dusseldorf engineer Paul Schumann. The parking wheel will hold 51 cars in its compartments and requires only 21 x 75 ft. for its installation. (205)

Some modern designs making news today



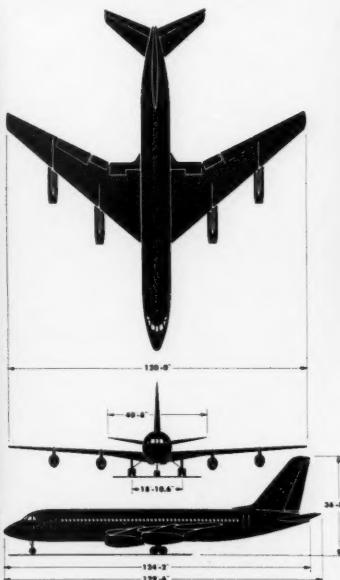
At speeds exceeding the speed of sound in the supersonic range, from Mach 1 to 5, and at hypersonic speeds above Mach 5, a new problem is superimposed upon all the other flight problems—that of aerodynamic heating. Dramatic warning of these problems is given in the six exposures shown above. Model plane of stainless steel simulates 4,500 mph flight at 50,000 ft. The miniature glows, starts to melt and then disintegrates within 6.7 seconds. (206)



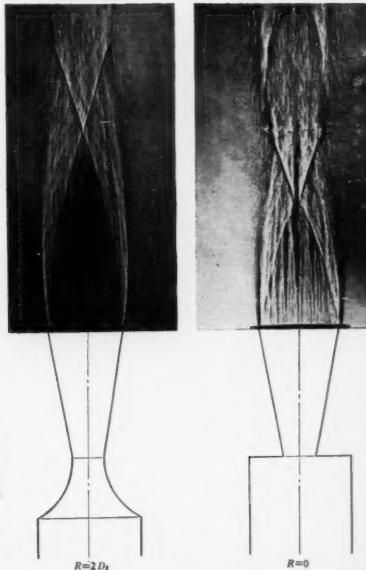
Bearing a startling resemblance to a cluster of frozen peas is this shot taken at the Wabi Iron Works in New Liskeard, Ontario. They are Ni-Hard nickel abrasion resisting iron grinding balls fresh from their molds before cleaning and inspection. (207)



All set for a ride in a supersonic ejection seat the pilot (top photo) is in normal flight attitude. Aerial bobsled rotates 90°, grasps pilot, sprouts wings and (rocket powered) is ejected into the airstream. (208)

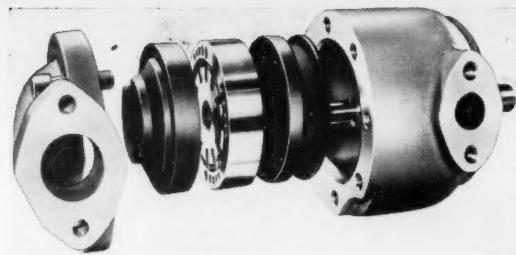


A three-view drawing of the Convair 880 jet airliner which, according to Convair, is the fastest commercial airliner in the world. The 80-passenger plane is of medium range and will be produced in San Diego. (209)



Catching the Editor's eye recently was this illustration from a British journal called *The Chartered Mechanical Engineer*. It illustrates by shadow photographs air discharging from different radii nozzles. (210)

New Pump has hydraulic vanes



An exploded view showing main parts of the vane pump.

This pump operates with equal efficiency clockwise or anti-clockwise

A new series of balanced vane hydraulic pumps for continuous 2,000 psi service has been announced by the Denison Engineering Division, American Brake Shoe Company.

Known as the T series, the pumps feature a hydraulically balanced vane, the key to the continuous high efficiency of the pump. They supply rated deliveries of up to 100 gpm at speeds up to 1,800 rpm.

The pump consists of a housing which provides an outlet connection, a bore for support of the shaft bearing and shaft assembly and a larger bore which contains the floating pumping cartridge. This consists of a front port plate, vane, rotor and cam ring assembly and rear port plate, with a shaft end support bearing. By providing maximum shaft support, the bearings permit use in applications with higher shaft side loading.

The port plates are part of the pumping cartridge. Since they are not a part of the pump housing, the inlet port plate and pressure discharge port plate are made from material selected to give maximum resistance to wear. However, should it be necessary to replace these plates, it can be done easily by removing the end cap, and sliding the cartridge out. To provide the required clamping force on the pumping cartridge, the pressure loaded port plate is designed so that the clamping force is always slightly greater than the deflecting force.

Two-bolt threaded flanges are provided as standard equipment but four-bolt hydraulic connections are available for those desiring to use S.A.E. four bolt split flange connectors. A nose type shaft seal, designed to withstand inlet pressures up to 100 psi gage, provides a positive type seal with considerably longer life.

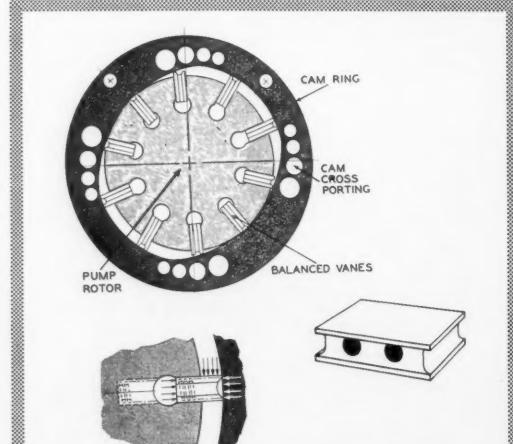
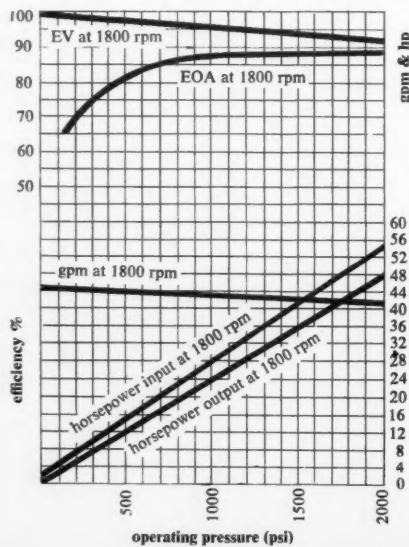
The pump may be face, foot or flange-mounted in any of the four positions on its mounting bracket. The suction inlet port can be assembled in many selected positions with regard to the pressure delivery port.

The balanced vane is achieved by a construction allowing the vane to be open at both ends to pressure on the pressure stroke, and suction on the suction stroke.

Pumps of this series are particularly suitable for earth-moving equipment, trucks, buses, tractors and power shovels, where 2,000 psi hydraulic pumps mean lower weight and increased payload; for special machinery such as an extrusion press, where 2,000 psi pumps require less space to pack more power and provide greater operating efficiency; for automation where these 2,000 psi pumps mean increased operating efficiency, simpler design, lower maintenance for feed circuits and index mechanism.

Simple to service — replaceable port plates and pumping elements can be easily serviced. ★

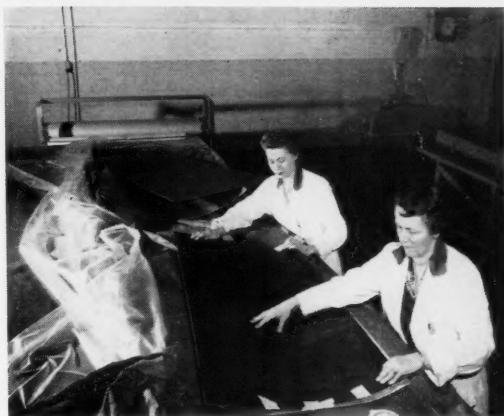
Performance curve of a 2,000 psi vane type pump shows its high volumetric efficiency.



Pressure balancing relieves hydraulic bearing loads between vanes and cam ring (lower left). Hydraulically balanced vane uses the internal oil pressure for sealing at edges.

Autoclave forming of magnesium skins

**Bearing in mind that
magnesium needs heat and pressure
in skin forming, this
company used its autoclave with
some excellent results**



1. The magnesium is taped to an aluminum master then felt-wrapped in polyvinyl bag with vacuum attachment.



2. A connection to vacuum pump exhausts polyvinyl bag causing magnesium to hold shape of aluminum master.



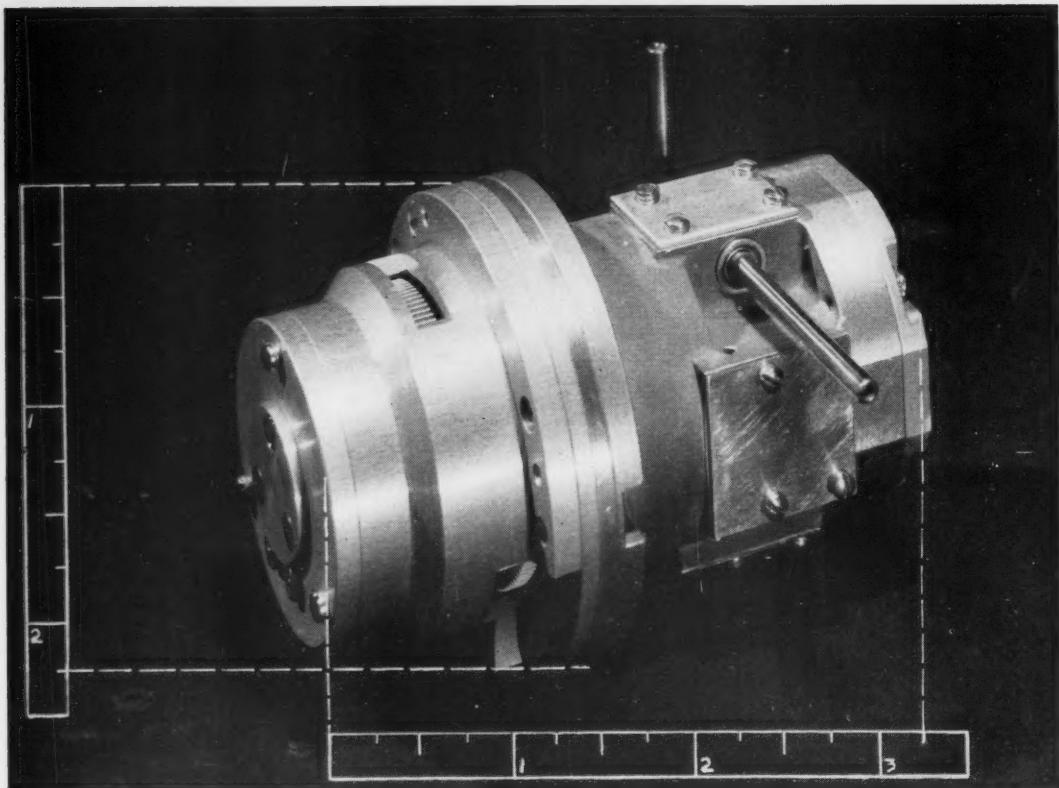
3. With thermocouple and vacuum attachments in position the bag and contents are placed in the autoclave.



4. After cooking under pressure the job is taken out and polyvinyl bag (now brittle) and felt are removed.



5. A successful bake with the sheet of magnesium on left now shaped to the contours of aluminum master.



1. This ball resolver, made by Aviation Electric Limited, is pictured here slightly larger than actual size.

Old idea sparks a tiny new calculator

Miniature resolvers may find their big future in the missile field

A 19th century principle with a 20th century application

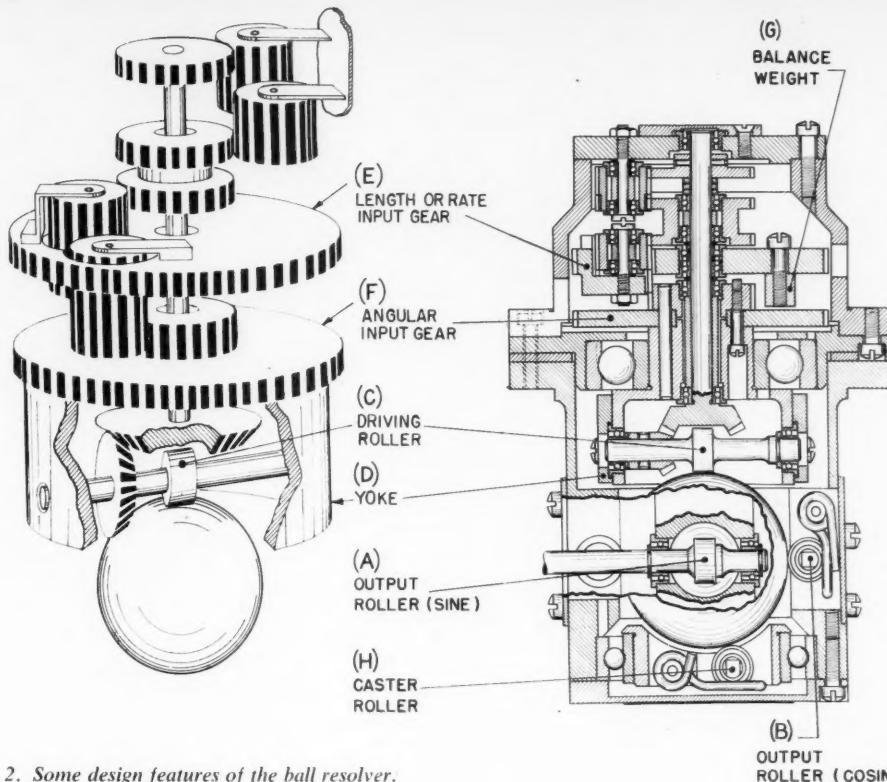
In this age of automation we are getting accustomed to daily meetings with strange, new names for machinery and components. The Ball Resolver may appear to fall into this category, until we start to investigate its underlying principles of operation. Basically, it is a mechanical calculator that can evaluate two input values in terms of trigonometrical (or other) ratios.

As though to bear out the old adage that there is nothing new under the sun, we find that, as far back as 1878, a Senor Ventosa of Madrid was credited with the invention of a device for the continuous calculation of wind component forces. His system of a sphere and four rollers was almost identical with that used in modern ball resolvers.

In 1884 Professor H. S. Shaw (of the British

Royal Society) presented a paper on the theory of continuous calculating machines that went deeply into the governing mathematics of these devices. At the same time, he introduced a ball resolver of his own design. Although this did not possess the same degree of mechanical exactitude as our present-day models, it was nevertheless similar.

Miniature resolvers can look forward to a bright future as research and development into guided missiles and space satellites presses forward. Although (as they become smaller) their power output decreases considerably, amplification through servo systems is readily applied. Servo amplifiers in lightweight form (using transistors and miniature components) can more than compensate for such decreases in power.



2. Some design features of the ball resolver.

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The goal of designers has always been to obtain as frictionless a device as possible and it is generally agreed that surfaces rolling upon each other offer the best chance of doing this.

Professor Shaw's ball resolver was probably the first of its kind to use the same methods as today's models. For present day applications, however, it would be relatively large and inaccurate. The earlier models, in fact, used a wooden ball and it was suggested that the surfaces of the rollers be serrated to give a better grip!

Mankind, stimulated by war (or the threat of war) has come far since then. Certainly the need for accurate gunnery control led to much of the development work carried out on mechanical computers.

The basic principle of operation of a ball resolver is explained in Table 1.

A miniaturized ball resolver working on this principle was recently developed by Aviation Electric Ltd. It is being used as a component of automatic navigational equipment, where it takes part in the integration of speed and direction into a continuous indication of position, in terms of the N-S and E-W components of the journey. Where this takes place over a small area, it is almost equivalent to a record of the change in latitude and longitude. In addition to these mathematical properties, the smallness and lightness of the resolver make it particularly suitable for guided missile controls under the severest conditions. In practice, it accepts inputs

in terms of shaft speed and angular change, and in return gives outputs in terms of trigonometrical ratios of the input angle. In both gunnery and navigational problems, the situation frequently arises where a continually changing angular rate has to be integrated with a changing range or distance rate. This ball resolver expresses these in terms of sine and cosine functions, in the manner explained in Table 1.

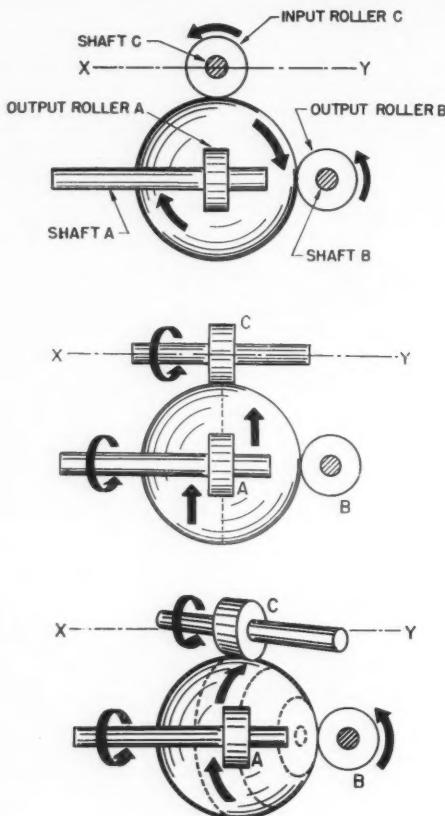
Gunnery and navigation

To have a resolver giving a continuous calculation of sine and cosine ratios is a valuable asset where gunnery control (or navigational problems) have to be solved. Trigonometrical ratios are, of course, easily computed under normal conditions, where fixed values and time to make the calculation are available. It is the necessity for making instantaneous and continuous calculations (whilst the two hitherto fixed values are varying widely) that defeats the human operator.

It may appear from Table 1 that the modern ball resolver is a remarkably simple device with which to achieve such far-reaching results, but behind the simplicity of principle are hidden the hard-won solutions to many design problems.

We do not know at what standards of accuracy Professor Shaw was aiming when he developed his early ball resolver in 1884, but the wooden ball used in it would certainly be useless under today's conditions,

TABLE 1
Basic principle of operation of a ball resolver



Input roller (C) is being rotated and turns the ball as indicated by the arrows. If we take this position as 0 deg (where shaft (B) is at right angles to shaft (A)) rollers (B) and (C) will rotate at the same speed. Shaft (A) will not move, because the ball is merely pivoting on the surface of roller (A).

Here we have the condition where the axis of shaft (C) has been moved 90 deg from its previous position so that it is now parallel to shaft (A). The angular input is now 90 deg.

Shows an intermediate position, where the axis of shaft (C) has been changed by 60 deg. By tilting shaft in this manner we have caused the ball to rotate on a different axis and have, in effect, changed the positions of the two rollers (A) and (B). The diameter of the two circles at the points of contact has now increased with respect to one roller and decreased with respect to the other. In this particular case,
speed of (A)
= speed of (C) $\times \sin 60 = 0.866 \times$ speed of (C)
speed of (B)
= speed of (C) $\times \cos 60 = 0.500 \times$ speed of (C).

Ball resolver *continued*

where an accuracy greater than 0.3% is demanded.

To provide a ball resolver suitable for accurate work in aircraft or missiles, the design engineer had to consider the severe conditions under which it would operate. The temperature range to be encountered would be between +160F and -65F.

The effects of acceleration would be felt in all directions and would range up and beyond the limits of human endurance. Under these conditions, the over-all error must not exceed 0.3%.

There is not sufficient space here to consider fully all the design problems that were met. A few examples will perhaps show what considerations were necessary to attain sufficient accuracy to satisfy today's exacting standards. Compromise is probably the uppermost concept in the designer's mind.

Let us examine the basic matter of selecting the most suitable size for the ball resolver. The following thinking governed the final choice of a 1-in.-diam ball.

In favor of a large ball (2 in. diam). A larger area of contact between ball and roller resulting in:

1. Less wear due to slipping and work loss under load.
2. Surface loading at point of contact is spread over a wider area, so there is less chance of damage to the surface.
3. Cost saving, since less accuracy is needed in manufacture. (For example, grinding of the roller faces and thus cheaper machining).

Against a 2-in. ball. Weight is eight times that of a 1-in. ball. The increased weight would lead to:

1. A greatly increased effect.
2. Heavier springs, needed to keep the rollers in contact against g forces, would lead to increased wear on the ball and roller surfaces.

In favor of a smaller ball (1/2 in. diam). Less weight is always a favorable factor in aircraft components. In addition, it has advantages such as:

1. Greatly reduced g effect.
2. Lighter loading spring, and therefore less wear.

"Behind the simplicity of principle hide some hard-won solutions"

Against a smaller ball:

1. Need for highly accurate machining keeps cost high.
2. High surface loading due to a small point of contact.

Another interesting factor considered was the inherent slip between two spheres (or a sphere and roller) in rolling contact with each other. Even the hard steel of the ball and roller is not incompressible and, like two rubber balls pressed together, becomes flattened at the point of contact. The ball resumes its normal diameter after passing the contact area, but in doing so causes the speed of rotation to vary slightly.

Strangely enough, this effect also has its compensations, for if it did not exist (and the contact point were indeed infinitely small) the surface loading would be infinitely great and the ball would in theory disintegrate. In actual fact, the flattened area is sufficient to distribute the load, although startlingly high loading values can still occur for loading-spring tensions of only a few pounds.

Ball rolling on flat surface

Such an insignificant item, even, as a particle of dirt can produce errors apparently quite out of proportion to its size. If we consider the case of a ball rolling on a flat surface and meeting a circular obstacle in its path, the following situation arises.

Let R be the radius of the ball and H the vertical height of the obstacle at the point of contact. Let F be the vertical force applied to the ball and call F_H the horizontal reaction produced by the obstacle. Then,

$$F_H = F \sqrt{2H/R}$$

The size of the obstacle is:

$$H = R/2 (F_H/F)^2$$

If we have a 1-in.-diam ball, and assume that we can only tolerate an error force of 3 oz. and that the spring exerts a vertical force of 12 lb on the ball, the size of a tolerable obstacle is only:

$$H = 0.5 \left(\frac{3}{12 \times 16} \right)^2 = 6.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ in.}$$

A rather startling conclusion that a minute object of 0.000061 in. diameter can cause a reaction of 3 oz!

In the case of a ball resolver with two curved surfaces in contact, however, we find a marked improvement. Here, only that portion of the obstacle between the ball and the tangent to the point of contact is involved in the reaction. It is inversely proportional to the ratio of the diameters of the ball and roller.

Let us assume a 1-in.-diameter ball and a 1/4-in.-diameter roller (a ratio of 4:1). The portion of the obstacle between the ball and the tangent is now 1/5 of its previous value. Thus, to produce the same reaction of 3 oz, we can tolerate an obstacle of 0.0003 in. diameter,

which, as the size of the tolerable dirt particle is related to the ball diameter, gives us another factor to be considered in the selection of ball and roller sizes.

Figure 2 shows some of the interesting design features of this ball resolver that have contributed, in no small measure, to its combination of lightness and accuracy. At E we have the first part of a differential gear train into which we can couple an input factor in terms of shaft speed, whilst at F the angular element can be introduced.

The differential method of coupling these inputs together was designed to allow continuous variation of the two factors without mutual interaction. The differential gear train operates somewhat after the manner of an automobile differential with one wheel stationary.

By careful design it was possible to insinuate this aggregation of gears into a remarkably small space in the upper part of the resolver case. A weight (G) keeps the input gear (E) balanced.

The yoke (D) carries the angular input gear, provides a stable mounting for the roller (C) driving the ball, and meshes the bevel gear on the driving roller with that on the differential. The gear ratio at this point (together with that of the differential), gives a 1:4 speed change, so that the outputs are actually four times the sine and cosine of the input angle. This feature was incorporated as a requirement of the original design, and is not an inherent feature. By changing the size of the gears, multiplication by other factors can be obtained.

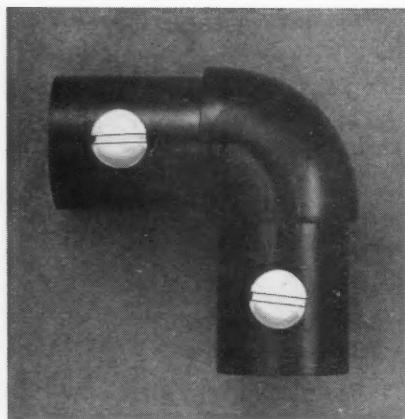
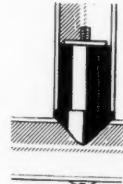
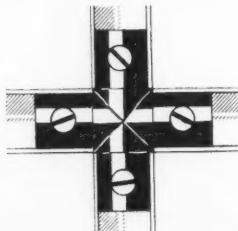
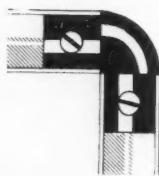
The rollers at (A) and (B), giving respectively the sine and cosine outputs, make contact with the ball surface which is held in place by spring-loaded rollers. The bottom roller (H) keeps the ball in contact with the driving roller (C). The same type of spring applies the pressure, but notice that the roller at (H) is not central but is offset slightly. Here we were able to introduce a happy combination of less wear with reduced cost. If the bottom roller (H) were to be mounted centrally in fixed alignment with roller (C), there is only one point where grinding action will not take place. If the vertical axis of the ball passes through the exact centre of the area of contact (and the axis of roller H is exactly parallel to the axis of C) the two surfaces will roll on each other without abrasion. The factors affecting the exact location of this point are highly diversified, and would call for inordinately rigid standards in the machining of all parts, with greater skill needed at assembly. Fortunately, such expensive precision was avoided. By having the roller arranged to behave like a caster on a piece of furniture, we manage to get a rolling action with less wear. The location of the caster shown in Figure 2 is not its normal operational position, but serves to show the offset position and loading spring to better advantage. In service it will turn through 90 deg on the large ball race at the bottom of the resolver and finally align its axis with the axes of rollers (C) and (A). These, and many other factors, resulted in great compactness, for no space is wasted inside the case. But, anticipating tomorrow's exacting standards, even as we write, experiments are under way to improve performance. ★

Ideas round-up

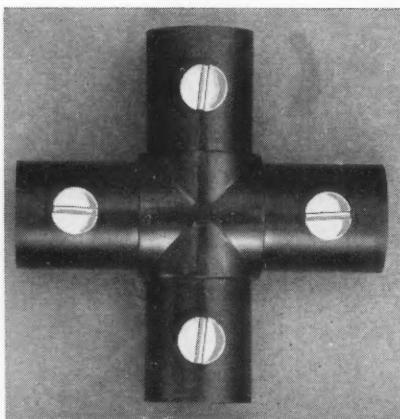
Award-winning design for fast tube fastening

Details are shown of a fastener which was awarded the Canadian Plastic Achievement Award in 1956 (Industrial Section). Its application is unlimited and it can be produced in any color in order to blend with the

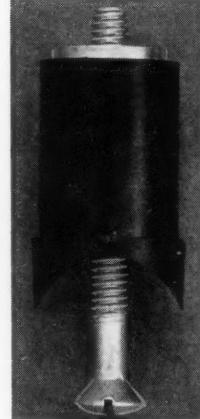
color of the tubing to be joined. Known as the Tu-Bit (Die Plast Ltd.), it can be fastened quickly, without the use of skilled labor; what is more, it can be very easily taken apart if desired. (211)



"L" junction



"X" junction



"T" junction

Brazing the pigtail for a chain burner

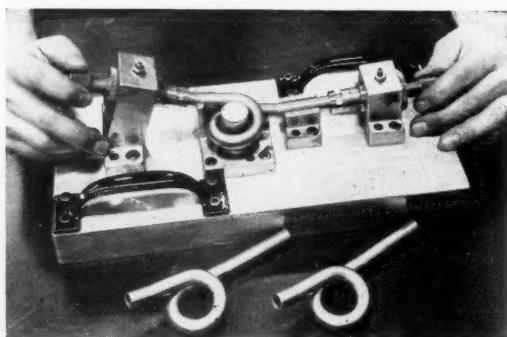
In the production of fuel manifolds for the chain burner of the Pratt & Whitney J-57 engine, **National-U. S. Radiator Co.** jig-brazes 755 separate pieces, using 380 brazes, into an assembly of 37-in. diameter.

Despite the size of the piece and the difficulty of brazing, a tolerance of 0.015 in. is maintained on the diameter of the manifold.

This is possible only because of the meticulous control of the brazing operation and of the components (and the materials from which they are made).

Tubing for the pig-tails is 0.3125 in. OD seamless inconel tubing (supplied by Superior Tube Company).

Tubing for the ferrules is type 347 (a columbium-bearing modification of type 304 stainless steel) which prevents carbide precipitation and resultant intergranular corrosion when the inconel pig-tails are copper



Checking the Inconel tubing for contour and diameter.

brazed to the ferrules before assembly in the manifold. It is supplied in the soft annealed condition in four sizes 0.3825, 0.436, 0.561 and 0.623 in. OD to AMS 5646.

The inconel tubing is bent into a pig-tail to absorb vibration and prevent fracture. It is cut into 12-in. lengths. (± 0.020 in. on the length) and is then bent to

the pig-tail configuration. The bent tubes are inspected for both contour and diameter in a fixture developed from a master tube.

The pig-tails are checked for length, contour, nicks, burrs, dirt and scratches. Each tube is also swaged. After inspection they are degreased and stored. (212)

Compact remote control with a sensitive "feel"

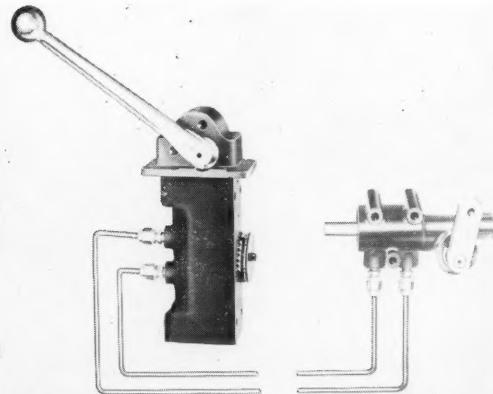
A unit that provides designers and engineers with a positive, simplified remote control for positioning, controlling and duplicating movement at a distance is the Hydronic positive remote control. Return of the activating lever to a neutral position for synchronizing the two units is not necessary. This is accomplished by the same design features that provide for positive and equal hydraulic delivery of 500 in.-lb of torque, in both directions.

The control operates with a rigid, smooth stroke, absolute silence and sensitive "feel," performing the common control functions of bell cranks, rods, cable, gear, racks, sprockets and chains. Backlash, wear, lubri-

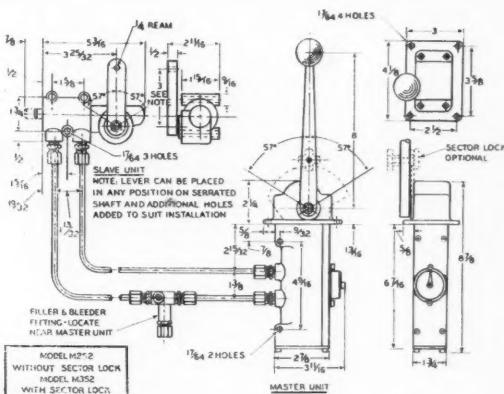
cation, service, replacement stocks and other problems associated with the use of mechanical devices are eliminated. This control has the added advantage of compactness. It can be installed generally in less space, more easily and at less cost than most mechanical controls.

The unit is engineered for positive remote operations of controls, clutches, transmissions, valves, throttles, equalizers and governors.

A few representative applications are: processing machinery, earth moving equipment, aircraft, marine power craft, farm machinery, railroad equipment, power plants, assembly fixtures, construction equipment, military vehicles, test cells, machine tools and presses. (213)



Compactness of unit can be seen in this photograph.



Sector lock for the remote control unit is optional.

This new brazing alloy can be painted on

A self-fluxing brazing alloy (Alumibraze) for joining many types of aluminum alloys is now being offered by **Handy & Harman**. Supplied in dry powder form and applied as an aqueous slurry, it is designed for use in a molten salt bath. It will join the following aluminum alloys: 2S, 3S, 52S, 54S, 61S, 62S, 63S, 66S and several types of casting alloy.

The alloy offers a number of advantages for production brazing of aluminum and makes possible certain joining techniques formerly not practical. The alloy is "painted" on, and so can be applied to any surface, regardless of its contour. It can therefore be used to braze assemblies where the shape of the parts (or the location of the joint) makes it impractical to use preforms or im-

possible to handfeed solid brazing alloys. The alloy stays put, will not flow prematurely and wets only those surfaces to which it is applied. It is economical to use since, unlike clad-braze sheet, the alloy is placed only where the joint is desired. It provides a convenient (if not the only) way of repairing joints, since in many cases it is impossible to preplace rings or shims accurately on already-brazed assemblies.

The brazing alloy contains its own fluxing material which serves both as a flux and as a cement to keep the alloy in place during the brazing cycle. The characteristics of the flux are the key to successful joining. When the slurry is dried after application, the flux forms a cement which does not melt at the usual brazing

temperatures, but which is soluble in the salt. Thus, during brazing, the alloy becomes molten, but is held in place until the cement is dissolved. Dissolution of the cement allows the brazing alloy to fill the joint area by capillary flow, producing a strong, ductile and (if enough alloy is used) filleted joint.

The alloy is an aluminum-silicon eutectic (88% aluminum, 12% silicon), which carries the AWS designation BA1Si-4. It melts in the narrow range of 1070-1080F and is generally brazed at a temperature of 1100F. The strength, soundness and corrosion resistance of joints made with this alloy are at least equal to those made with a solid brazing alloy of the same composition.

The brazing is done in a standard aluminum-brazing bath. The flux-cement is completely compatible with the salt bath and becomes a useful part of the bath. Hence, the periodic analysis and adjustments are no different from those required with standard salt baths. (214)



A handful of the new aluminum brazing alloy powder.

Indium and tin alloy for sealing high vacuum equipment

Because of its extremely low vapor pressure Cerroseal-35 (Cerro de Pasco Corp.) can be used in high vacuum apparatus requiring a seal between glass and glass (or glass and metal). It is an alloy of indium and tin which softens at approximately 240F and is liquid above 260F.

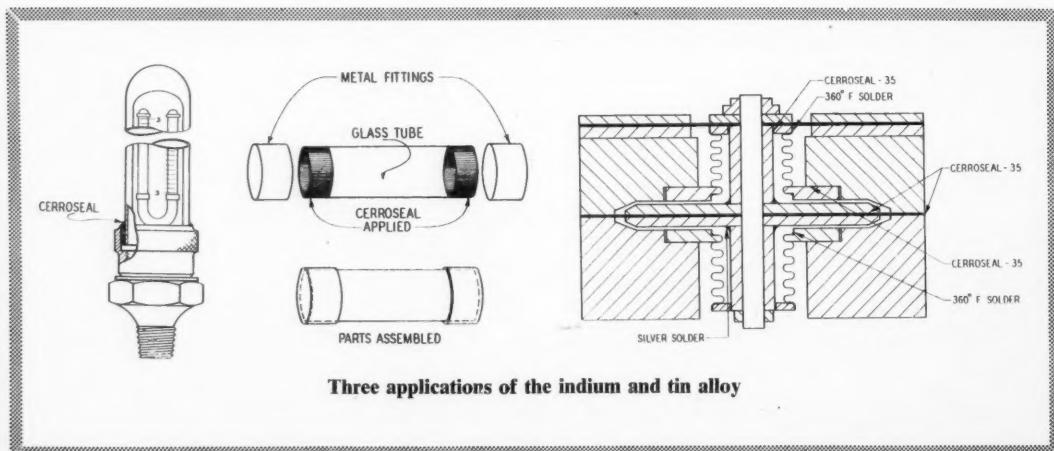
Besides adhering to glass, it will also adhere to mica, quartz, thermo-setting plastics and some glazed ceramics. Being rich in tin, it will bond to any metal that can be tinned with ordinary lead-tin solder, provided tinning is done at the same temperature (450F to 500F) as is required for ordinary solders with flux.

Since its introduction it has been used by a rapidly growing list of firms for regular production items. For example, one instrument maker replaces litharge and glycerine with Cerroseal-35 in sealing the glass dome to the metal base of a differential pressure gauge. Metal fittings are attached to each end of a glass cylinder by a maker of communication equipment; glass and quartz

windows are sealed in peep holes of processing tanks made by two firms. Another employs it to solder electrical conductors to glass because it opens up new methods of constructing specialized apparatus.

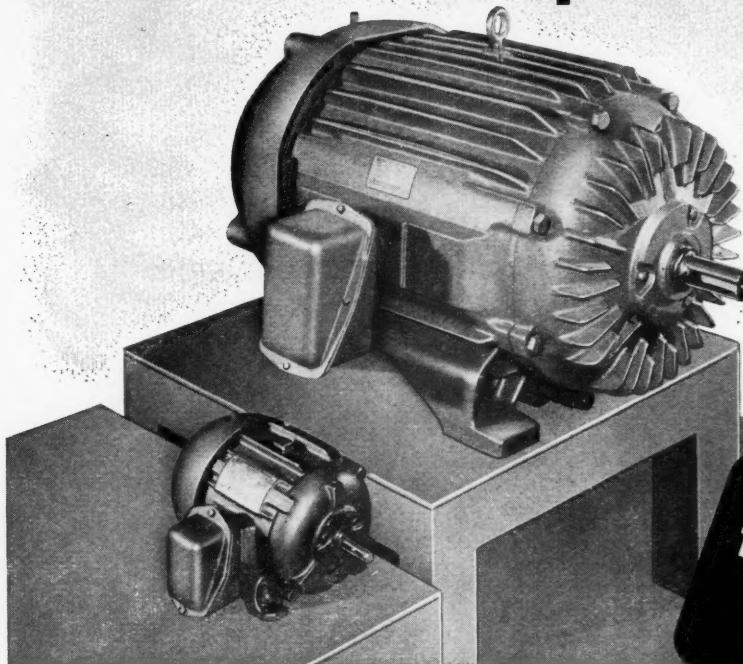
Another instrument maker uses it as a metal-to-metal solder in assembling a special distillation control instrument. It is necessary during assembly to make several solder joints and insure that they are not melted in subsequent operations. The unit is constructed of brass and phosphor bronze. The original welds are started with eutectic silver solder and the final joint made with Cerroseal-35. This alloy has the advantage that there is no danger (during final assembly) of overheating the phosphor bronze diaphragms.

The material is used for the final sealing of some loaded components where a higher temperature solder would be too dangerous to use. (215)



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Two new chassis styles for original equipment

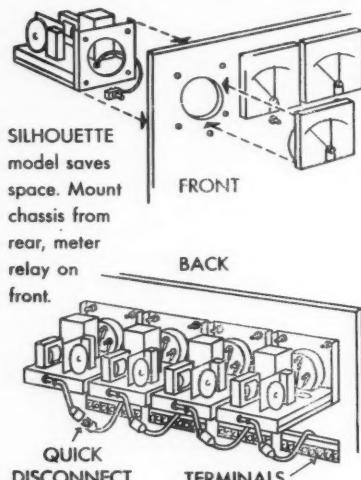
Two new and smaller chassis styles, especially designed for use in original equipment, have been developed for the Simplytrol and Versatrol "package" controls made by **Assembly Products, Inc.**

One of them (the Silhouette), is furnished without side or top panels. Most components are individually dust-covered, however. Available with all standard control circuits and components, the new chassis styles are

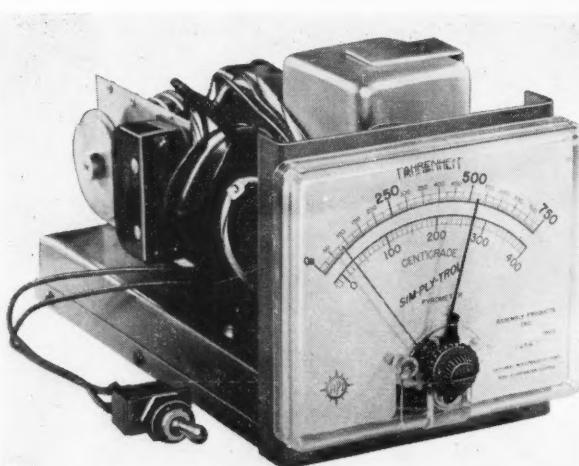
intended for built-in flush-mounted applications where space saving is an important consideration.

Contact meter-relays used in these controls are 4½-in.-wide models, in either clear plastic or black bakelite plastic with glass windows. Chassis are 4½ in. wide and 7¾ in. deep.

Switches for the Silhouette are mounted through the panel in which the unit is placed. (216)



Space-saving features of the Silhouette.



Switches for the Silhouette are mounted through the unit's panel.

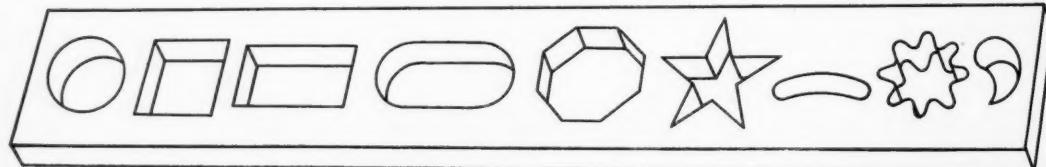
Machine that will drill any electro-conductive material

Machining operations on carbide (and other tough materials that cannot be machined by conventional methods) is achieved by **Ex-Cell-O's** application of the Method X process to its new 243-6 vertical electrospark machine. This machine will pierce, drill, trepan, tap or sink a cavity in any material that is an electrical conductor. Its prime function is to machine hard metals or form special shapes that would otherwise be difficult to produce.

Applying the electrospark principle of machining to a mechanical unit, the machine is capable of positioning and holding the work, and feeding the tool to

perform the desired operation. The table is mounted on slides so that the work can be positioned under the tool. Because the cutting action of the Method X process creates no tool pressure on the part being machined, only sufficient clamping pressure is required to make a good electrical contact.

The Method X machine accomplishes metal removal by the use of a positive electrode (or workpiece) and a negative electrode (or tool) energized by a high amperage electrical current. In this electro-mechanical process, electrical impulses pass between the tool and work, which are submerged in a dielectric bath. When the



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a uniform matte-type finish.

In addition to machining hard materials (such as carbides), the machine will cut a variety of regular and irregular shapes. Samples of the irregular shapes possible are illustrated.

Tools used for the Method X process can be made from low-cost sheet brass, tubing or rod, depending on the operation to be performed or the shape required. Steel or other conductors may also be used for tool material.

(217)

Sonic analyzer identifies electrical and mechanical defects

As a result of the spectrum analysis of sounds, vibrations and electrical waveforms, laboratory and production operations have been speeded up, engineering projects completed quicker and costs lowered in many industries.

An improved model of the LP-1 sonic analyzer developed by **Panoramic Radio Products, Inc.** provides a logarithmic sweep range of 40 to 20,000 cps and extends the linear sweep ranges of the LP-1 by 200, 1,000 and 5,000 cps. A companion recorder has also been made available to work with the LP-1a for charting purposes.

The instrument is being used to identify mechanical and electrical defects and variations, to make fine adjustments, to test production models against standards, and to improve product design of ball bearings, jet and reciprocating engines, electric motors, home appliances, business machines, pumps, blowers and fans, compressors, air frames, tire performance and many other types of rotating and oscillating machinery.

The instant visual picture of waveform content over a wide range makes it easy to check the frequency position and amplitude of any component or to compare and analyze data. In other words, by converting any parameter to an electrical waveform (through a sensing device such as a microphone), it is possible to determine the relative strength of the various components, to measure individual distortion components (rather than total distortion alone) and to observe changes in energy dis-



Instant visual picture of waveform content is given.

tribution as the waveform itself varies or as design constants are altered. Thus the LP-1a eliminates tedious, complicated, point-by-point measurements and the use of many different types of machine and testing methods.

In addition to presenting data graphically, one of the new features of the instrument is the optional companion recorder which may be added to make a permanent record of waveform content over extended periods. Tuning controls allow the selection of narrowed bands within the frequency range for detailed analysis. Time of scan is 1 sec, which is automatically slowed to 10 sec, 2 min or 16 min for recording purposes. (218)

Testing a car's stiffness before it sees the road

The automotive engineer must rely heavily on experience and engineering knowledge to design the required stiffness into a car structure. However, verification of a design as it comes from the drawing board can only be established after exhaustive laboratory tests of individual components, and of the complete car structure.

Early detection in the laboratory of structural deficiencies contributes greatly to sound economic planning. Laboratory testing in the automobile industry has developed to a high degree of excellence.

Details are given here of two laboratory tests for stiffness that were described by G. J. Engelhard (of **Chevrolet**) in a recent SAE paper.

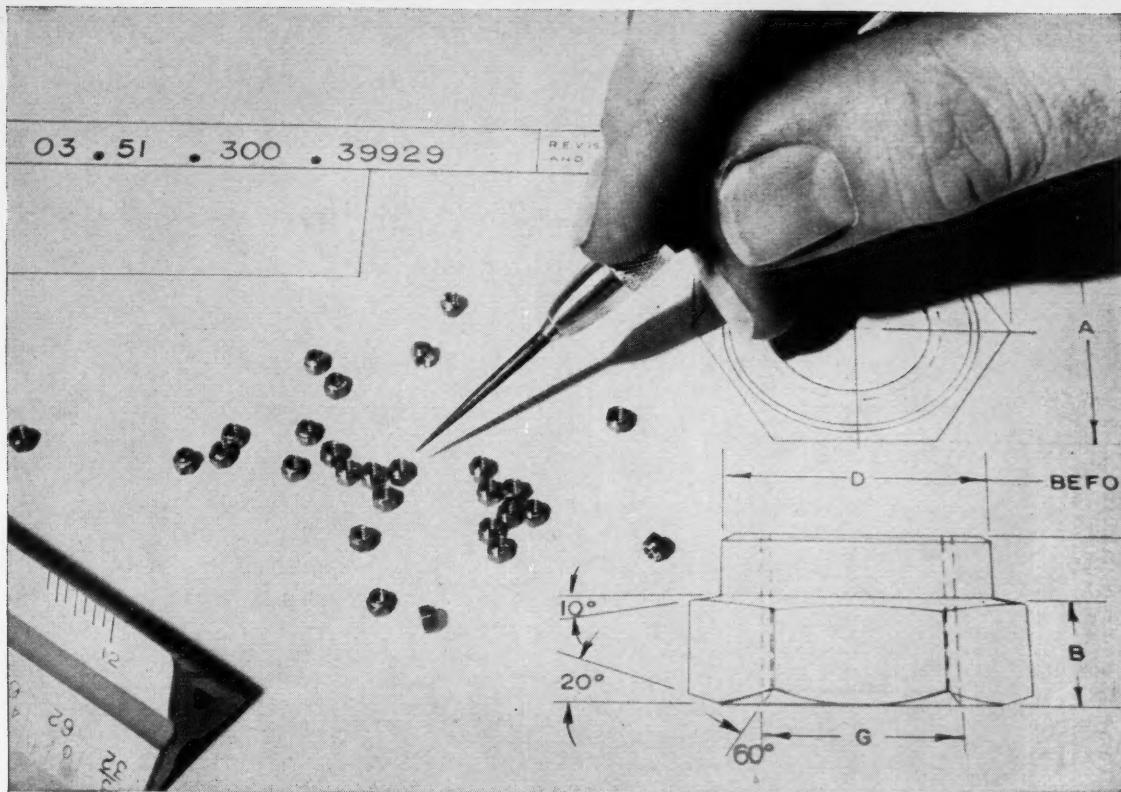
Door lateral stiffness is checked in a ring, to discover low seal-pressure areas that might admit water, dust and drafts, and cause wind noises.

A typical problem can arise when space and styling

restrictions result in comparatively thin cross-sections in the door pillars at the bottom of the window area. This in turn can cause the entire upper door area to deflect outward about a breakpoint just above the belt line when the door is closed against the seal pressure.

In this test, the door is supported at the hinges and at the door lock location. A lateral load resembling the seal pressure is applied to the top of the door in the ring. Deflections are measured around the door periphery and plotted to determine the deflection contour (Fig. 2). The sudden break in the upper curve indicates poor stiffness distribution. The lower curve shows the increased stiffness and more uniform distribution that resulted from the addition of reinforcement.

Stiffness of the body centre pillar is checked by mounting it at simulated body supports, and loading it in the direction of the door slam. Although a centre



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2-64 NF-3B	.158	.153	.067	.176	.105
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pillar might have a reduced section at the belt (because of exterior styling and interior space requirements), it must still have sufficient stiffness to produce a solid thud, without objectionable flutter, when the door is slammed. Uniform stiffness distribution at the belt is

instrumental in eliminating flutter.

Pillar test curves enable the engineer to isolate and correct a localized deflection area by adding a reinforcement or additional welds (Fig. 1). Acceptability of these changes is verified later on a road test car. (219)

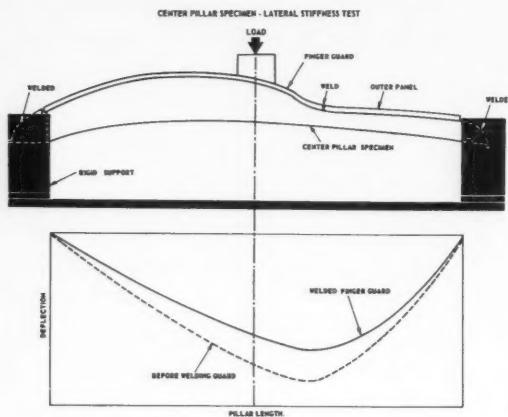


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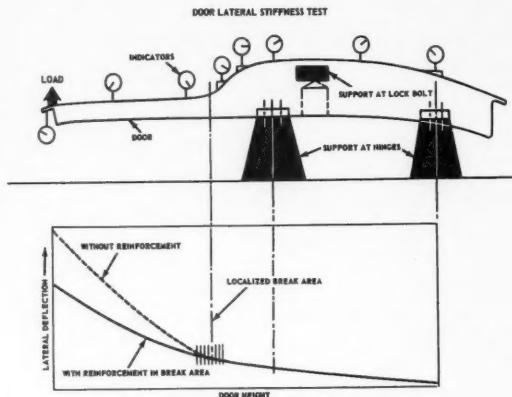


Figure 2.

Pump that permits precise control at any delivery rate

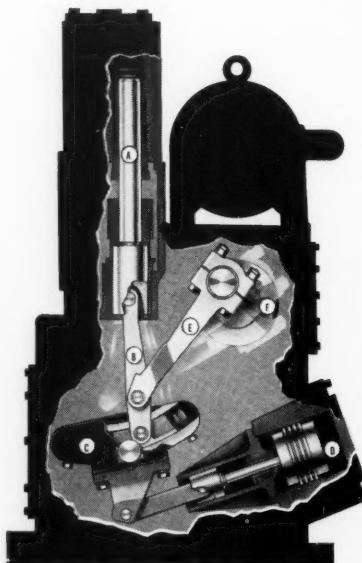
When fractional demands or variable rates of delivery are required, the variable stroke reciprocating pump has the advantages of high mechanical efficiency, low power cost and full automatic control.

The design and performance characteristics of these pumps permit efficient operation and precise control at any rate of delivery from 0 to 100%. This is because the stroke (and thus the output) of the pump can be varied without changing the speed of the prime-mover.

In effect, they combine the desirable features of both centrifugal and reciprocating pumps. For medium- and high-pressure pumping, conventional reciprocating pumps offer positive displacement and superior efficiency, but lack the flexibility of capacity and constant pressure of the centrifugal pump. The variable stroke design incorporates in one pump all the desirable characteristics.

The diagram shows a cross-section through one of three identical cylinders of the **Aldrich-Groff** controllable capacity pump. It shows the simple mechanical principles incorporated in the design of these units.

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The motion of the plunger is variable from zero to maximum stroke, depending upon the angular positioning of the stroke-transformer. The delivery of the pump is thus infinitely controllable from zero to the rated maximum output. (220)

Society Column

Society for Nondestructive Testing, Inc.

The Ontario Section held a dinner meeting at the Cloverleaf Hotel, Toronto, at which the subject of ultrasonic resonance testing for thickness gauging and flaw detection was discussed by Peter K. Bloch, vice-president of Branson Instruments.

American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

A new group, to deal with the increasingly complex engineering problems encountered in keeping industrial equipment in operating condition, has been formed by the ASME. The unit will cover such topics as modification of equipment and facilities to reduce or eliminate maintenance problems.

An unusual feature of the June 9-14 meeting (in San Francisco) will be a four-part symposium on Biotechnology, the study of operation of the human body as an engineering problem. Taking part in the sessions will be engineers, medical men and experts on the adaptability of the body to such extreme conditions as thermal flight. This involves travel at such high speeds that friction between the aircraft and the atmosphere sharply raises the temperature.

Standards Engineers Society

At the May meeting of the Hamilton-Toronto Section, the guest speaker was R. M. Gooderham, Director, Canadian Welding Bureau; his subject "Canadian welding standards."

American Society of Tool Engineers
The availability of the Silver Anniversary edition of their annual collected technical papers has been announced by the Society. This includes two complete symposia, embracing twelve papers each, on ceramic tooling and plastic tooling. Also covered are revolutionary processes in rolling techniques, recent tool design advances, the conception and development of JIC standards and the management-tool engineer team.

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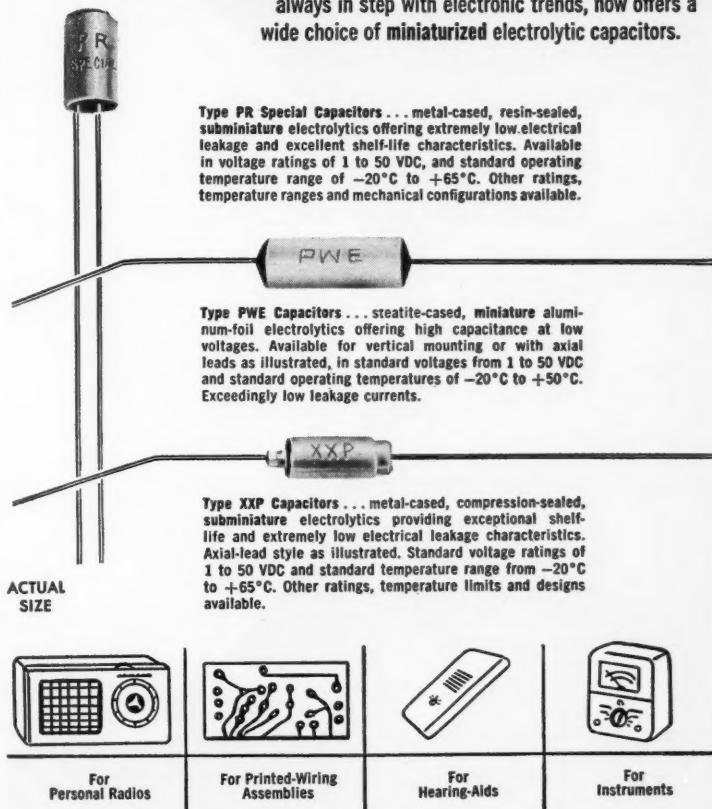
The subject for the sixth Gillett Memorial Lecture to be given at the 60th annual meeting of the ASTM in Atlantic City on June 18 will be a perspective of molybdenum base alloys. The lecturer will be Alvin J. Herzog, president of The Climax Molybdenum Co. of Michigan. The lecture will include details of a furnace that has been used to obtain aggregates of molybdenum by melting, rather than by the powdered metallurgy process.

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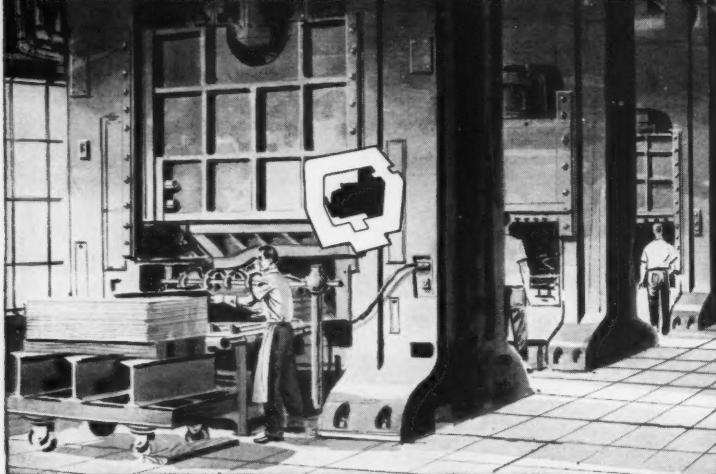
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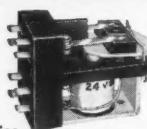
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Tap design

(Continued from page 49)

Further to eliminate pick up (and to aid in the retention of a film of cutting oil on the taps) they were steam blackened as a final operation. This not only behaved as expected, but proved an excellent anti-rust for the taps while in storage.

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A common nut drilled so that it contains 50% of a full thread will break the bolt before it will strip and a full depth of thread in a common nut is only about 5% stronger than a 75% depth of thread, yet it requires three times the power to tap. On the average, a 75% thread in a nut is stronger than the tensile strength of the screw and this is the amount that is recommended for most applications. For small screws in deep holes, less thread depth will give ample strength. It should also be noted that a drill will cut a hole somewhat larger than its nominal size. This must be taken into account when percent thread depth is a critical factor.

Operating speeds

Best operating speeds for taps are more difficult to tabulate than for other types of cutting tool. With most tools the feed per revolution of the tool or work can be varied independently as conditions demand. Taps however must always advance through the work at a rate equal to one lead per revolution.

The style of tap used varies conditions greatly. For example, with a bottoming tap the first lead of each land cuts the full depth of thread, while with a taper or starting tap, a number of threads do their share of the work before a full thread is reached. The depth of thread also varies with pitch. For example, 1 in. - 8; vs. 1 in. - 27, the depth of thread being much greater in the former.

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Baking enamel

A new urea formaldehyde resin for white baking enamel formulations (called Uformite F-222) is announced by **Rohm & Haas Company**. Advantages the new resin offers formulators (according to the manufacturer) included the unusual combination of improved gloss with accelerated baking speed, as well as improved hardness, adhesion to non-drying alkyds and resistance to food stains and water.

Enamels made with the resin are said to be particularly well suited for use on kitchen cabinets, refrigerators, hospital equipment and steel furniture.

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Nozzle parts

Boring and contouring the inside diameters of parts for jet engine fuel nozzles is achieved by their Style 308 precision cam boring machine, according to **Ex-Cell-O Corporation**.

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Meter-relays

Contact meter-relays, versatile instruments that indicate and control almost any physical or chemical condition that can be detected electrically, are described in a new catalogue (No. 4-C) now available from **Assembly Products, Inc.**

The catalogue supplies complete information for ordering meter-relays intended for use in original equipment or in self-contained control packages. Various circuits for providing different types of control action are discussed. Also included in the catalogue are API panel meters and auxiliary components.

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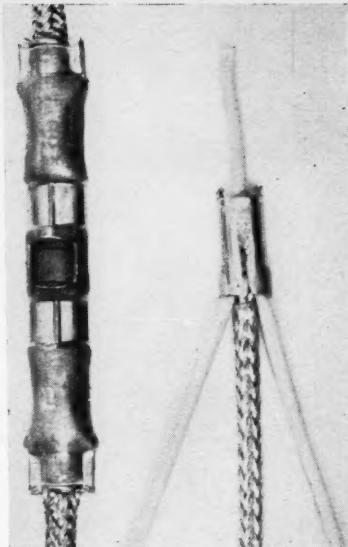
Wire splice

The new range of shielded wire splices and ferrules made by **AMP Incorporated** could be the answer to faster, more compact splicing.

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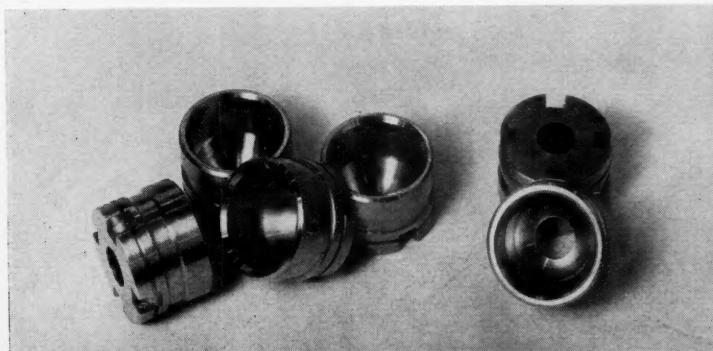
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Irradiated polyethylene

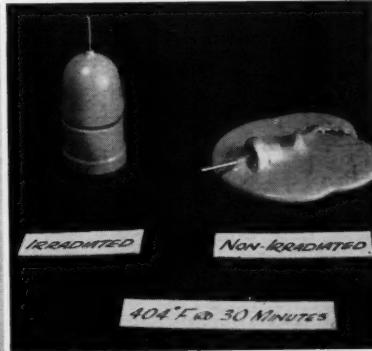
A switch has been made (by **Hewlett-Packard Co.**) from polystyrene to irradiated polyethylene for the production of high-frequency vacuum tube voltmeter probe tips. The switch was made to enable the tips to withstand cracking at low temperatures due to the different rates of expansion of the embedded electronic components. This low-temperature stress cracking exposed the internal parts to moisture and was the major limitation of the polystyrene material.

Polyethylene eliminates the low-temperature cracking problem. The tendency of conventional polyethylene to flow at high temperatures, however, restricted its use under high ambient conditions and in applications where the probe tips are soldered directly into the electronic circuits under test.

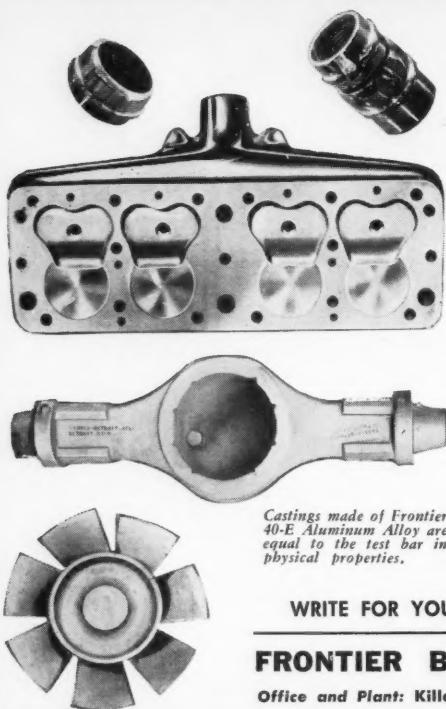
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Left: Finished parts for jet engine fuel nozzles (see "Nozzle parts"). Right: Irradiated probe tip (see above).



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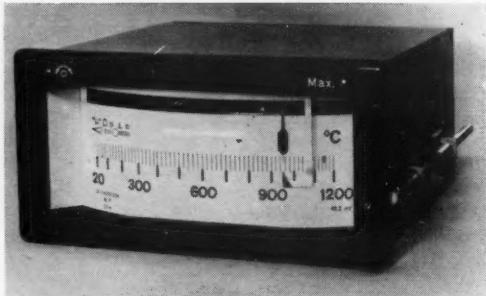
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Book Department

Automation in Business and Industry edited by Eugene M. Grabbe (John Wiley & Sons, Inc.). The book is based on a series of lectures given by prominent engineers and scientists at the University of California. It supplies a wealth of information and detail on the fundamentals of automation, new developments in automation techniques and descriptions of automation system applications.

The work shows how the fields of feedback control theory, instrumentation, analog and digital computation and data processing are now becoming integrated, as automation is applied on a broad scale to control systems that encompass the range from top management to individual machines.

Bearing Design and Application by Donald F. Wilcock and E. Richard Booser (McGraw-Hill). This is a practical guidebook for the machine designer to help him select and design bearings. It lays emphasis on the selection and calculation methods for integrating the bearing design, bearing material and lubricant into a workable unit.

Among the subjects covered are: analysis of load capacity, speed, temperature, dimensional tolerance and lubrication factors in selecting ball and roller bearings; reciprocating bearing design methods for automotive and diesel use; lubrication system design. One important feature of the book is the coverage given to systematic trouble-shooting techniques for analyzing and eliminating difficulties.

The book contains explicit equations for design procedure and many numerical examples.

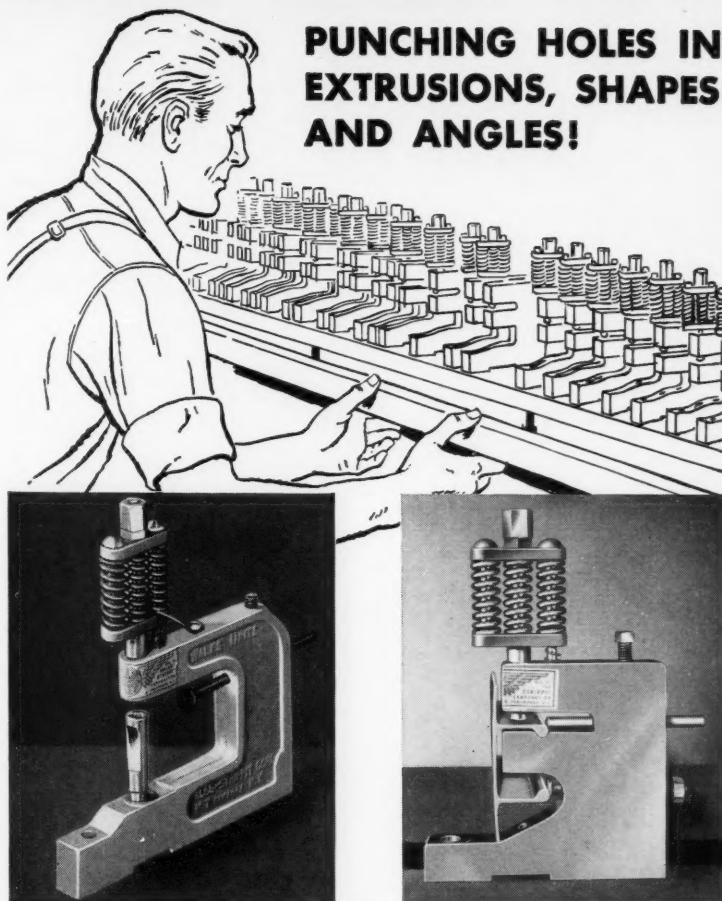
System Engineering. An introduction to the design of large-scale systems. By Harry H. Goode and Robt. E. Machol (McGraw-Hill Co. of Canada Ltd.). The book gives an over-all view of the relatively new "system design" approach to the problem of designing engineering equipment. It assumes a mathematical background of elementary calculus.

The book shows how a number of very important fields (such as statistics, computers, information theory, servo mechanisms and control) are put together by a group of system engineers to attack large-scale problems in engineering, as, for example, the development of radar systems, telephone systems or guided missile systems.

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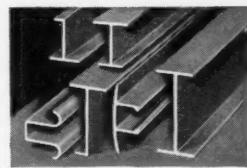
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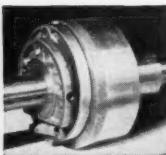
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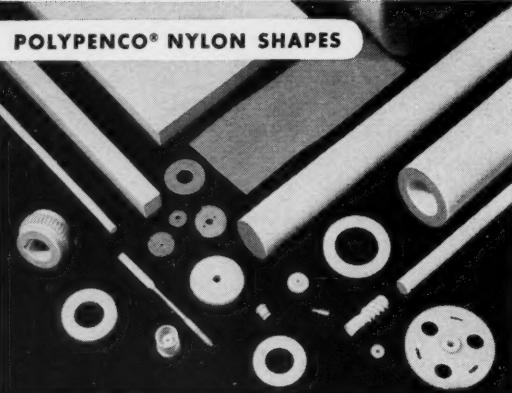
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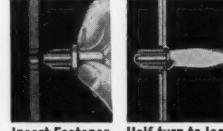


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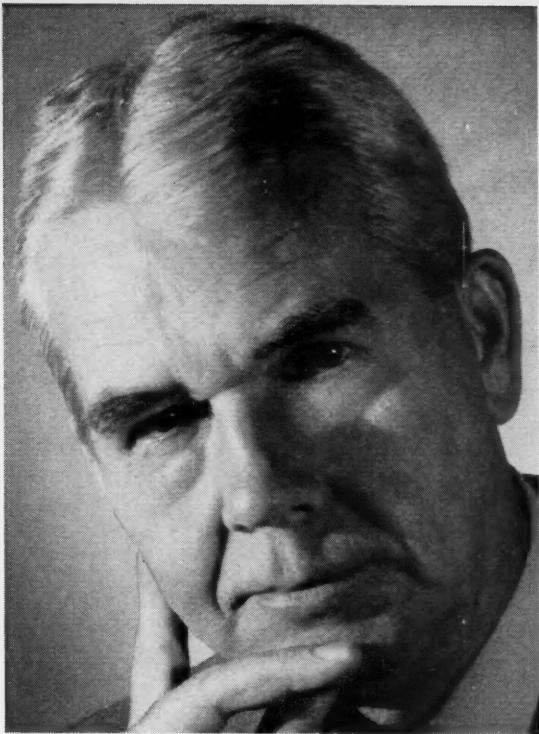
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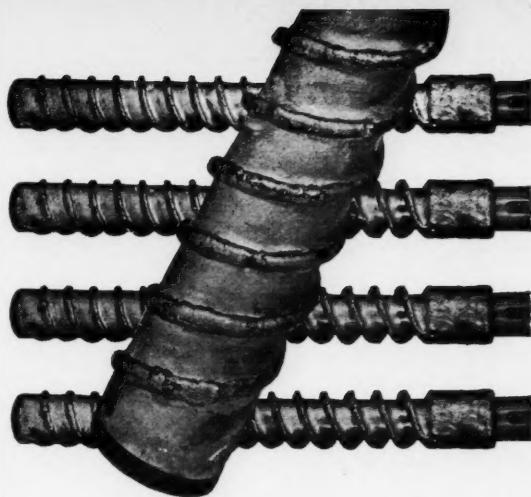
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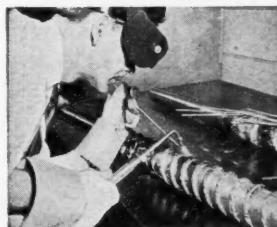
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(We did not avail ourselves of this offer. The fact that the list of publications referred to was printed in Russian may have governed our decision—Ed.)

Association of design engineers

I seem to recall reading in Design Engineering some months ago, some editorial comments on a proposal to found a

Canadian Association of design engineers.

I am not clear whether these proposals have reached fruition yet, but if they have, I would much appreciate it if you would let me have the name and address of the individual to whom I should address any enquiries re membership.

from G. A. Peters, 438 Simcoe Street, London, Ontario.

(We passed on his name to James Orr, the chairman of this society—Ed.)

Pressure measurement

I am baffled by Mr. Cunard's "mathematics" ("Can pressure be measured accurately?" April 1957 issue). He says that the work done (Q) when a capsule is expanded is represented by the equation:

$$Q = J \left(\int_{P_1}^{P_2} V \, dp + \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p \, dv \right)$$

Before we can even begin to think about integrating the first differential expression in the bracket on the right of the equation, V must be expressed as some kind of a function of p (such as p^2 , $\log p$, etc.). Instead, Mr. Cunard drops this aspect of his problem with the remark: "This work can be recovered on subsequent expansion to the original pressure P."

The second term in the bracket receives, if anything, shorter shrift, for

by using a stiff capsule, we are able to regard the volume change as being practically zero. This amounts to saying that the work done in changing the volume of the capsule when the volume doesn't change is zero! What else? Mr. Cunard doesn't even seem to notice that, if the volume of the capsule doesn't change, its contained liquid or gas doesn't change in volume either. And since the change in pressure is due to change in volume, the pressure change also reduces to zero. Thus both integrodifferential expressions amount to zero! This is, at any rate, quite an improvement on the inconsistency of a liquid or gas contracting when the volume of space at its disposal is increased.

Finally, where does the letter J come in? J, as the conventional symbol for the mechanical equivalent of heat, would only come into the picture if mechanical energy were converted into heat (or vice versa).

But Mr. Cunard has expressly ruled out his consideration by assuming "constant temperature on expansion." Admittedly, if a gas expands and performs mechanical work in doing so, it can only be maintained at the constant temperature by being supplied at all stages with an amount of heat equivalent to the mechanical work performed at each stage. But this consideration, or its converse (abstraction of heat from a gas undergoing compression in order to maintain its temperature constant), is not involved, by Mr. Cunard's own argument, in the present discussion. Perhaps I may add that, apart from an explanatory remark prior to dismissal, J does not usually find a place in modern discussions of thermodynamics.

from Walter Wilson, Toronto.
(We await Mr. Cunard's reply.—Ed.)

Pressure measurement

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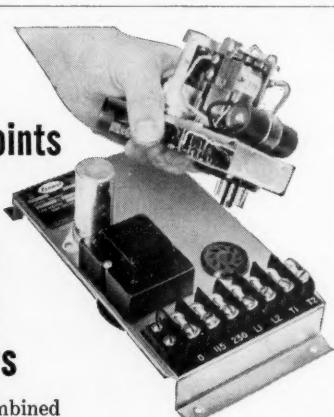
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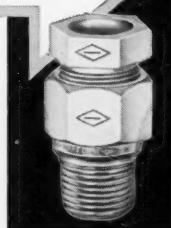
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Vibration exciter

A hydraulic vibration exciter, capable of sinusoidal motion at extremely high forces and larger strokes not obtainable with present vibration test equipment, is announced by **MB Manufacturing Co.** The first exciter system now being installed has a maximum force of 60,000 lb, an available stroke of 4 in. and a maximum velocity of 14 in. per sec in the frequency range of 1 to 150 cps. In contrast, the MB C250 electrodynamic exciter, the largest of that type now in production, has a rated force output of 25,000 lb and a stroke of ± 0.25 in. over a frequency range of 5 to 500 cps. (227)

The MB hydraulic exciter has five basic components: the driving head, a hydraulic accumulator and a high-pressure hydraulic pump, an electronically controlled servo valve and an electronic control system. (227)

Static voltmeter

A static voltmeter that provides continuous measurement of static charges is available from **Dawe Instruments Ltd.** The voltmeter (Type 635) gives both field and contact readings over a range of 0.1 to 5,000 volts. It shows the strength and location of the charges and the rate of buildup. It also measures current and insulation resistance, and indicates direct polarity.

The manufacturers say the voltmeter is already proving useful in a variety of industries, particularly in plants using chemicals and chemical preparations. They say manufacturers of fibrous materials (such as nylon, orlon or dacron) have been able to locate and measure the minute static charges on individual threads. (228)

Push buttons

Designed for accessibility of wiring, distinctive appearance and flexibility, are the new heavy-duty oil-tight push buttons available from **Davis Automatic Controls Ltd.** Rated to 550 volts a-c or d-c, the line includes push buttons, selector switches, selector push buttons, pilot lights and accessories such as mushroom head, lever and key lock. All units are built around one standard contact block. No rights or lefts. These contact blocks can be used singly or in tandem, mounted vertically or horizontally. (229)

Pyrometers

A line of small millivoltmeter pyrometers (the HP-30 series) is available from **Canadian General Electric Company Limited.**

Designed to keep pace with the trend

to smallness in process instrumentation, this pyrometer uses a high-strength magnet material, printed circuits and miniature tubes and relays and thus saves 50% more panel space than pyrometers now in use.

Used primarily for temperature control, the new pyrometers can also be used to measure other process variables such as speed, vacuum, density and electrical quantities.

HP-30 pyrometers can be used in any industrial processes requiring heat, including equipment manufacturers and producers in foundry and other heat-treating operations, drying processes, plastic molding and extrusion, rubber fabrication systems and government test facilities. (230)

Zinc brightener

A zinc brightener (under the trade name of Zinc-Kote) is being introduced to the plating industry (by **Smoothex Corp.**) for improved quality barrel plating of small parts at lower cost.

When added to a bath, it produces brilliant zinc deposits on the entire surface of all the parts being plated. Time is saved and production speeded because bright plating is done directly from the bath to eliminate subsequent bright dipping.

The close-grained, thick zinc deposits that are formed assure an excellent underseal for finishes and protect the parts from rust and corrosion. A good foundation is also provided for chromate finishing and bonderizing.

Because of the wide current density range, uniform zinc deposits are made on all parts within the barrel. Plating current ranges from 60 to 90 amps per sq ft, depending upon the type of work being processed. (231)

Wiring clip

A twin U-Type Speed Clip, developed for the attachment of electrical wiring on household appliances, electronic equipment and other products, was announced today by **Dominion Fasteners Limited.**

Employing Tinnerman's exclusive heel-and-toe principle of self-retention, the new clip is front-mounting and eliminates the need for nuts, bolts or auxiliary fastening devices.

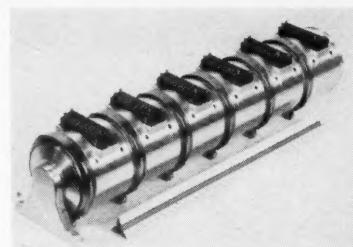
Ideal for use in hard-to-reach locations, the spring steel "toe" is inserted into a mounting hole in a panel; with slight finger pressure (down and forward) the clip snaps into the wire-receiving position. Electrical wires, firmly secured by twin steel fingers, can be removed for servicing or replacement without detaching the clip. (232)

Stainless casting

A casting of special stainless steel has helped a manufacturer of papermaking equipment to lick two big problems of



A foundry workman makes a hardness check on a special steel feed screw.



This new device allows the stacking of twenty poles in a single switch.

corrosion and erosion in the machinery that makes pulp from all species of wood.

The Black-Clawson Company, makers of pulp mill equipment, reported that one of their biggest problems was to get a material that would stand production conditions.

These conditions are exacting and have taken the toll of a number of metals. In making pulp, various cooking liquors are used to break down wood fibres. In addition, dirt and sand are brought in with the chips. These foreign substances act like tiny files on the equipment.

To combat the corrosion and erosion problems, the company now uses a special stainless steel, which they call Pandaloy, in the feed screws. The screws are cast at the Buffalo Foundry of Alleghany Steel Corporation. (233)

Stacking switch

With this versatile switch (developed by the **Applied Science Corporation**) it is possible to stack up to 20 poles in a single switch. The switch is comprised of sections held together by V-band clamps. The end of the shaft in one section fits integrally with the end of the shaft of the adjoining section, so no couplings are needed. Each contact plate is phasable with every other plate by a screw adjustment. Plates may be made with from one to three poles, with up to 90 contacts per pole. Various types of drive motors are available providing switch speeds up to 600 rpm. (234)

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Editorial

Helping to beat the engineer shortage

A significant step has been taken by McMaster University in announcing the formation of a School of Engineering next fall. Four-year courses will be offered in chemical, electrical and mechanical engineering; there will also be courses in engineering physics and metallurgy.

President Gilmour stated that the addition of engineering studies to their educational program is a natural expansion of the scientific activities of Hamilton College. The staff and facilities in physical sciences have grown rapidly since the war and will provide the firm foundation of basic science and mathematics so necessary in a modern engineering curriculum.

It is planned to enroll only 50 first year students in September but when the school is functioning to capacity, it will have an enrollment of five or six hundred students. The fact that the faculty is so close to many big steel, electrical, chemical and other industrial enterprises will be in its favor.

The courses and facilities for the school have been planned by Dr. John W. Hodgins, the new Director of Engineering Studies. He stated that an opportunity has been presented to plan curricula and buildings in accordance with present-day trends and knowledge and with the best forecast of future developments in science and engineering. Future engineers must be particularly well educated in fundamental science and mathematics and must be prepared to meet new and unfamiliar situations with imagination and competence. He stated that time will be allocated throughout the entire course for the analysis of new problems and for original design work based upon these analyses.

Since the activities of engineers are having an ever-increasing impact upon society and since, also, the current shortage of engineers has the effect of allowing recent graduates to move rather quickly into positions of responsibility, it is appropriate that about one fifth of the course should consist of the humanities and social studies.

Congratulations!

The organizers of two Shows held last month can justly be proud of their efforts.

One of these was the Design Engineering Show held at the Coliseum, New York. The attendance broke all records but the number of Canadians present—as far as we were able to ascertain—was still disappointing, but still better than the 19 or so who were there last year!

This Show has certainly rocketed to stardom in the two years of its existence, a sure indication of the big part played by the design engineer today.

Nearer home was the Industrial Tool and Production Show, held in Toronto for the first time, a visit to which we found well worth while. It is sincerely hoped that as a result of its success the Tool Show will become an annual event.

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The cutaway view below shows the bearing. It is of special design, with tapered bore and self-aligning spher-

ical outer surface—never requires adjustment. As in all Timken bearings, races and rollers are case-carburized and have tough, shock-resistant cores under hard, wear-resistant surfaces. Under normal conditions, the Timken bearing will last the life of the machinery with which the pillow block is used.

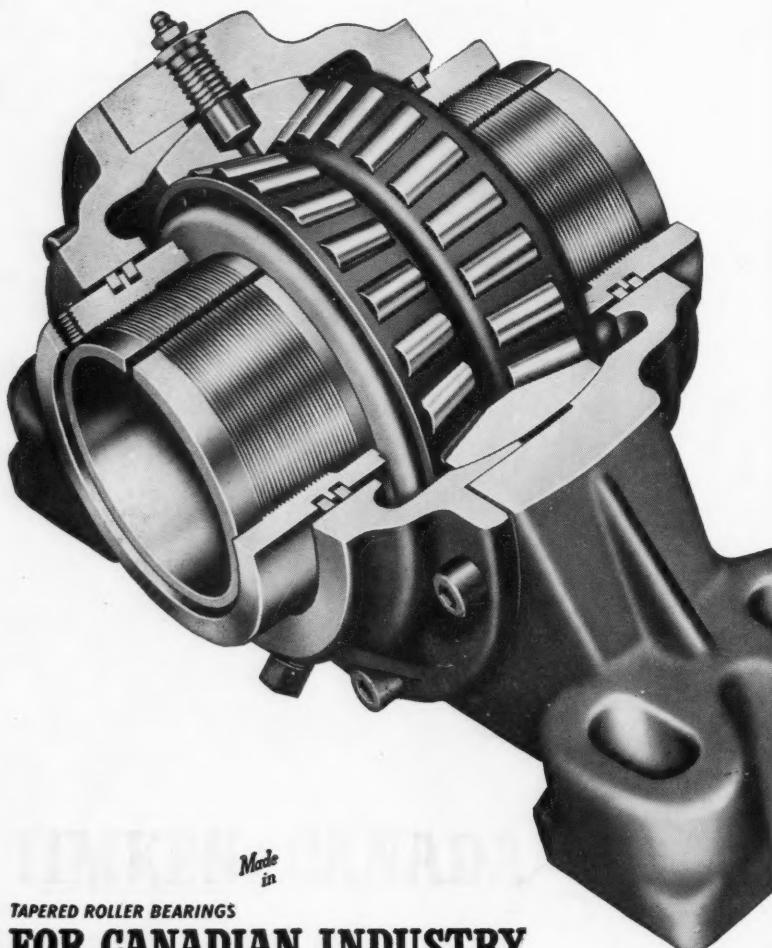
In addition to the all-steel pillow block shown here, Timken bearings are also used in the Type "E", Double-Interlock, Type "C", and Special-Duty pillow blocks—other versatile pillow blocks in the Dodge-Timken line

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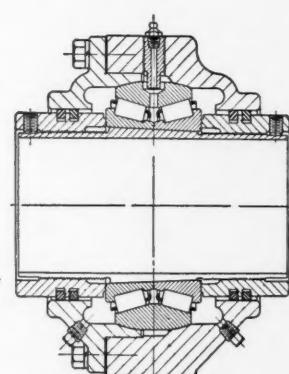
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How **DODGE MANUFACTURING CORPORATION**, Mishawaka, Ind., U.S.A., mounts Timken bearings in the Dodge-Timken All-Steel pillow block. Above: non-expansion block with fixed bearing. Below: expansion block with floating bearing.

